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## Our New Dress.

As our readers will immediately observe, THE HERALD appears this week in a complete new dress. The reading matter is all in brand new type. It goes without saying that this makes a wonderful improvement in the appearance of the paper and greatly enhances its value to our readers; all this is self evident. It affords us much pleasure to be able to make this announcement; we have had the matter in mind for some time and it is but the beginning of improvements which we hope to effect, so as to make THE HERALD, mechanically and otherwise, a first class paper. To effect the present improved appearance of THE HERALD we purchased over four hundred pounds of new type. All will at once realize that this must have cost a considerable amount of money. We trust therefore that our subscribers will appreciate the effort we are making to give them a good paper, and that they will remit any subscription amounts they are conscious of owing us. To present our readers with a first class paper in every respect is our earnest desire; but to be successful in this direction we require the encouragement and cooperation of our subscribers. With these words of explanation and expressions of hope for the future we present to our readers our newly dressed HERALD.

## New Governor General.

Official announcement was made in the Imperial Parliament on Thursday that Prince Alexander of Teck, third son of the late Duke of Teck and brother of Queen Mary of England, is to succeed the Duke of Connaught, as Governor-General of Canada. He is forty years of age and was married in 1904 to Her Royal Highness Princess Alice of Albany and has one son and one daughter. The intelligence of this appointment was received with very great interest at Ottawa. There had been an impression that the term of the Duke of Connaught might be extended for another year, an impression strengthened by the genuine good-will existing between the people of Ottawa and the Royal household at Rideau hall. Parliament Hill attaches significance to the fact that for the second time the Dominion is to have a Governor-General from the Royal Family and it is assumed that these precedents will be followed in regard to future appointments. H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught leaves in October when his term expires. Following the set procedure in such matters Parliament will, at this session, pass an address of farewell and of appreciation.

## The Peace Envoys.

The representatives of the South American Republics, who have undertaken to adjudicate the disputes between the United States and Mexico, are styled in the newspapers, the A. B. C. mediators, inasmuch as these are the initial letters in the names of the respective countries from which the commissioners come, viz Argentina, Brazil and Chile. Following the usual custom of conducting the negotiations on neutral territory, the envoys have decided to hold their court on Can-

adian soil. The town of Niagara Falls, Ontario, has been selected as the meeting place. Here the arbitration tribunal will assemble on Monday next, the 18th inst. Already Huerta's three representatives have sailed from Vera Cruz for Niagara Falls. They are clothed with full powers, nominally at least, to sign any agreement of the convention. The Dominion Government have under consideration the reception and entertainment to be tendered the Southern and American peace envoys upon their arrival and during their stay in our country. The meeting of the envoys will be the greatest historical event of the time since the representatives of Russia and Japan, as the guests of the United States government, negotiated and concluded the treaty of Portsmouth, N. H., which terminated the Russo-Japanese war. While the peace commissioners are not coming at the invitation of the Canadian Government, it is deemed only proper that they should receive a generous welcome and hospitality. It is understood that a formal welcome will be extended to the visitors by some member of the Government who will go to Niagara Falls for that purpose, and that a guard of honor will be detailed, probably from the Toronto and Hamilton regiments. It is also understood that the envoys will be invited to visit the principal cities of Canada as the guests of the nation.

## Cardinal Begin.

In our last issue we had a brief notice of most Rev. Archbishop Begin, who is now in Rome or on the way thither, where he will be elevated to the Cardinalate on the 25th day of this month. Mgr. Begin followed a theological course at the Grand Seminary at Quebec and at the Gregorian University of the Roman College in Rome, taking the degree of D. D. in 1865, also receiving the same degree at Laval University. He was ordained in Rome in 1869 where he remained to make a special study of ecclesiastical history and oriental languages, in 1866 and 1867. He continued his studies at the Catholic University at Innsbruck in 1867 and 1868, and was professor of dogmatic theology and ecclesiastical history at Laval University from 1868 to 1884 and also prefect of studies at the Little Seminary at Quebec, and principal of Laval Normal School at Quebec, 1885 and 1888. In 1888 he was appointed Bishop of Chicoutimi, holding that office for three years. He then became coadjutor to Cardinal Taschereau with the title of Archbishop of Cyrene, from 1891 to 1898 and was administrator of the archdiocese from 1894 to 1898. On April 12, 1898, Mgr. Begin became Archbishop of Quebec and was invested with the pallium on January 22, 1899. Mgr. Begin has travelled extensively in Europe and the Holy Land. He took a prominent part in the Ecumenical Congress in Montreal in 1910. He is the author of several works, including "La Primate et l'Infallibilité des Souverains Pontifes," "La Sainte Eglise et La Règle de Foi," "Le Culte Catholique," "Aide Memoire on Chronologie de l'histoire du Canada" and "Catechisme de Controverse."

Advices from St. John's Newfoundland intimate that the seal fisheries of the season just closed were more successful financially than those of last year, according to figures now compiled. Twenty steamers, employing 4,000 men, set out on the hunt two months ago. Nineteen vessels returned with the pelts of 233,718 seals. This catch was valued at \$498,086. Last year a greater number of seals were caught, 272,990 skins, being returned, but they were valued at only \$493,845. For the fishermen, the financial success has been shrouded in gloom by the enormous loss of life in the hunt, the steamer Newfoundland's catastrophe having cost seventy-eight lives, and 174 men having gone down with the Southern Cross.

Morning sittings were commenced in the House of Commons on Monday of this week and will continue until the close of the session. It is expected that from now on rapid progress will be made with the sessional program. The opinion seems to prevail round Parliament hill that the main difficulty being reached by the first week in June. Outside of the Farmers' Bank affair there are only two contentious questions left. One is C. N. R. and on this it is not believed that the Liberals will put up more than a perfunctory fight. The second is Redistribution. The committee is working hard to bring down a unanimous report, but at present there seems to be more or less of a deadlock. The main difficulty being in Ontario. New schemes of settlement are suggested every day. But every new scheme naturally involves the sacrifice of some one since there are no less than eight ridings to disappear.

## Federal Parliament.

Ottawa, May 4.—There seems to be no immediate expectation on the part of the government that parliament will be able to prorogue for several weeks yet. Replying to the questions Sir Wilfrid Laurier submitted a week ago, Premier Borden this afternoon outlined in parliament the legislative yet to be introduced by the government and considered and passed this session. This legislation, the Premier said, would include a bill by the Minister of Marine, "respecting the grading and inspecting of fish," bills by the Minister of Justice amending the Controverted Elections Act, probably necessitating provisions regarding the preparation of lists for elections under the Canada Temperance Act, and to amend the Criminal Code; bills by the Minister of Finance to consolidate the Civil Service Act, to provide superannuation, to amend the Dominion Notes Act, and to amend the Quebec Battlefields' Commission Act; by the Minister of Public Works amending the Drydocks Subsidies Act, by the Minister of Railways defining the agreement with the Grand Trunk C. N. R. and the Crown concerning the Winnipeg terminals, and respecting bridges over the St. John river; by the Secretary of State respecting storage and holding of explosives, the foundations for which were laid by Hon. Mr. Templeman, and an amendment to the Joint Stock Company's Act. The measures dealing with the consolidation of the Civil Service Act and the superannuation, Premier Borden stated would not be hurried through, but there might be a couple of other matters which the government would submit for consideration, of which he was not sure at the moment.

Ottawa, May.—5. Hon. H. R. H. Emmerson had his annual grumble about the I. C. R. today. It has been an annual spiel ever since he resigned from the portfolio of Railways and Canals and Hon. Geo. P. Graham was appointed in his stead. Nobody takes him seriously, however, for Mr. Emmerson has been definitely installed in the garrulous class, to which he has been gradually edging ever since he came to Ottawa. He does not say much, but he takes a long time to say it, and uses much phraseology. His criticism today was as usual of the picaresque character. For instance he stated that the cutting off of the Ocean Limited has been a serious matter. Hon. Mr. Hazen punctured this easily, much to the amusement of the house, and even to the Liberal side where Mr. Emmerson is treated pretty much as a joke. The fact is as Mr. Hazen pointed out that only in one year has the Ocean Limited been operated during February and March. That was in 1913 and the loss was \$300,000. In cutting off the train for two months the practice of every year, except 1913, has been followed.

Ottawa, May 7.—A further instalment of information in regard to the affairs of the Canadian Northern and of the MacKenzie and Mann Company Limited was tabled by Premier Borden in the Commons today. It contains three interesting features. A statutory declaration by Alfred J. Mitchell, comptroller of MacKenzie and Mann Company Limited, is quoted to the effect that they have made no profit on their work for

the C. N. R., as contractors "other than certain fully paid common stock in the C. N. R. company and its allied lines." Mr. Mitchell further says that the whole of the \$223,407,641 received by MacKenzie and Mann has actually gone into construction. A further sworn statement by Third Vice-President D. B. Hanna declares that none of the banks hold as collateral security any asset or property of the C. N. R., or of its allied lines, with the exception of the securities given in a statement furnished. The principal item mentioned is four per cent. perpetual debenture stock totalling \$900,000 held by the Bank of Commerce for safe keeping on account of the Canadian Northern Railway Company. The third feature of the return consists of letters and telegrams addressed to Premier Borden by Premier Murray of Nova Scotia, Premier Sifton of Alberta, Acting Premier Calder of Saskatchewan and Sir Richard McBride of British Columbia, endorsing the principal of federal aid to the C. N. R., if necessary to secure the completion of the system, such aid to be given on terms consistent with the public interest. The government auditors appointed to investigate the financial affairs of the C. N. R. system and of MacKenzie and Mann Limited, call attention to the fact that the statement of Comptroller Mitchell, referred to above, had been borne out to our satisfaction from our investigation of the books of the contractors. On March 14 last Premier Murray wrote Mr. Borden as follows: "The Nova Scotia government realizes that the C. N. R., contributed very largely to railway development in the province, operating at present over four hundred miles. We feel that this progressive railway situation could only have been brought about by the enterprise of such a concern, and the province, by reason of accepting their guaranteed bonds for large sums, is vitally interested in the future of this company. The government feels that any reasonable assistance, consistent with the public interests, can be accorded by the Dominion to the C. N. R., would be a policy which would be acceptable to our people as it would enhance provincial credit."

Ottawa, May 8.—There was a sensational incident in the House of Commons this afternoon when Hon. H. R. Emmerson at one time Minister of Railways and Canals in the late Liberal administration, referred to the announcement in the press that Prince Alexander of Teck, brother of Queen Mary, had been appointed Governor General of Canada and remarked that he hoped the rumor of the appointment was not true. Afterwards in the lobbies when interviewed by the press Mr. Emmerson said: "My objection is to Royalty, and foreign Royalty being brought to Canada. We have gone the limit with the Duke of Connaught. If necessary I would be prepared to move a condemnatory resolution." Mr. Emmerson added that he had a great respect for the Duke of Connaught on personal grounds. He considered him a fine type of man, but he objected to the continuance of Royalty in this country in any official capacity. He objected especially to a German prince, such as Prince Alexander of Teck, being sent to Canada. This illustrates the disloyalty of several of the Liberal members of parliament. Indeed anti-British sentiment is one of the features of the campaign methods of a section of the Liberal party at Ottawa. It will be remembered that Hon. Frank Oliver another ex-Liberal minister, refused on one occasion last year in the house to sing the British National Anthem. Needless to say the majority of the members assent keenly to the attack made upon the brother-in-law of King George and grandson-in-law of Queen Victoria by Mr. Emmerson, and several of the leading Liberals who are fearful of being classed as anti-Britishers are loud in their protestations against Mr. Emmerson thus publicly expressing his views, and as a Liberal, committing in his party to disloyal sentiments. When the house opened Mr. Emmerson said: "I would like to ask if the government has any official information in respect to the appointment of a governor general to succeed the present incumbent of that office. I see rumors in the press which I hope are not true, and I presume the people of Canada would like to

know what foundation there is for them. Still I speak individually." The Premier replied: "There has been a telegram received by H. R. H. the Governor General announcing that His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Prince Alexander of Teck to succeed His Royal Highness as Governor General." The incident is the chief topic of conversation in the lobbies of parliament tonight and the resentment against Mr. Emmerson seems to be very strong. The leading men in the Liberal party deplore such public announcements of the views of those who are anti-British, entailing as it does injury to the party. During the last election campaign one of the methods practised by Liberal candidates among foreign immigrants was anti-British talk. In fact the present day Liberal party contains all the anti-Britishers there are in the country.

## Destructive Earthquakes.

Advices of the 9th, from Naples Italy say: There are stories of violent earthquake shocks in eastern Sicily which have killed many people and destroyed or wrecked several villages. Mt. Aetna volcano is becoming active and there are fears of an overwhelming eruption. Property loss is up in the millions. Messina reports 40 killed and 40 injured. At Lincera 30 killed and 120 injured at Acreale. People are fleeing from vicinity of Aetna. The state railway at Acreale was wrecked and parts thrown 700 feet by the terrific force of the quake. Trains were derailed and heavy cars lifted as if by a gigantic hand. An Aeolian despatch says that at least 100 people in all were killed by the earthquake. The town of Lincera with a population of 2,900 and Veneria with 2,180, were completely destroyed. Hundreds of houses were wrecked in several villages.

## New Rural Mail Delivery Boxes.

Combined Letter and Parcel Post Service.

As a result of the establishment of the Parcel Post system in Canada, the Post Office Department has decided to adopt a new Rural mail Delivery combined Letter and Parcel Post box to meet the new conditions.

A supply of these new boxes will be ready for delivery on or about the 16th June, 1914. The price per box will be \$4.50 (four dollars and fifty cents). In order that the holders of the present boxes may not suffer any hardship by reason of their having already paid \$3.00 for the "King Edward" box, they will be allowed (on their returning the automatic self-locking signal device and their paying an additional \$1.50 to the Post Office Inspector of their Division, who will then forward a box of the new pattern.

## Arbor Day and Empire Day.

The Chief Superintendent of Education has appointed Friday May 22nd as Arbor Day and urges teachers everywhere to use at least a part of the day in cleaning and putting in order the school grounds and buildings, planting trees, making flower beds, preparing for the school garden and getting the children and others interested in improving and beautifying the school premises. As Empire Day falls this year upon Saturday it is recommended that the school observance of that day be combined with that of Arbor Day and that an hour or two be devoted to lessons, recitations, songs and addresses having special reference to the significance of the occasion. "Monday May 25th may be observed as a school holiday."

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## Local And Other Items

Giant Gunader the Aquarian left Glasgow Saturday, on his first trip from the yards to Greenock, she was cheered by 100,000 spectators.

In the second ballot of the general elections in France Sunday the socialists elected giving them 101 seats as compared with 68 in the old chamber.

Sir Ernest Shackleton and his members of his staff, who are going to start from London to the Antarctic shortly, will go to Norway for a few days and their kitten's and motor sleds and especially the rations which are to be taken along to the south.

Earl Grey, former Governor General, of Canada before leaving San Francisco for Los Angeles announced the personnel of the British syndicate which will spend millions to buy two of the largest oil companies in California. His associates are prominent men of big British steamship companies.

The Cunard steamer Franco Thursday landed at Boston and thirteen men rescued from the burning steamer Columbia. Several suffered severely from burns. Juss Drohan, the Cuban's wireless operator said a fire likely started from spontaneous combustion in the cargo rags and junk. There was further word of the third boat missing with nineteen men in.

The story of a raid by Chinese pirates on the Chinese steam ship Shingai, which flies the British flag was brought to San Francisco by a Japanese steamer. Several of the ship's officers and crew were killed and \$30,000 stolen. The pirates, 17 in number, boarded the steamer at Hong Kong as passengers. The entire Chinese coast is reported infested by pirates but so far only two vessels have been attacked.

Frank Haynes was hanged Sydney, C. B., and this paid penalty for the murder of B. Atkinson on the scaffold at 6 o'clock Friday afternoon. The days before his execution, when he learned all hope of saving life had vanished, he confessed his guilt. But he further declared he had been hired to commit the murder by Mrs. Atkins widow of the murdered man, who had been assisted in the deed by John Donalds an insurance broker. Both of them are under arrest and are up for preliminary trial.

Three Maori chiefs, Te Mahuta, Mita Karuka, and Te Taingakawa, chaperoned George C. Paul, an agent of the British government, arrived Montreal the other day on way to see the Great White King in England. This is first occasion that any of three has left New Zealand; they still declare that Auckland with its population of 100,000 is the largest city in the world. The party left Montreal for London where they will be received by King George and present their grievances.

General regret is felt at the demise of Judge Hector C. Donald, of the Queen's Bench Court, which occurred on day evening at the comparatively early age of 58 years. The Judge was born at Flat Belfast on May 3, 1856, so he had just entered upon his year. After graduating in Art Law at McGill he studied law with Messrs McLean and Martin and was admitted a lawyer in 1886. He was time a partner in the office he studied. He was elected to the Legislature from the district and was. From 1899 Attorney General in the Warburton administration. In the last named year he was appointed Judge of the Court for Queen's County continued to hold this office his death. He took ill in winter and went to the New Year's Day. He recovered fairly well after a couple of months and left the hospital. Then he took a relapse and his return to the hospital. From the last attack he rallied but gradually sank and died.