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BOTHA, FOR ENTIRE BOER FORCES, RE-OPENS NEGOTIATIONS WITH BRITISH FOR PEACE
WITH DISUNION AMONG LEADERS OF ENEMY FINISH OF SOUTH AFRICAN WAR IS IN SIGHT

GENERAL DEWET.

Senate Reading Room
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DEWET CRAZY, BOTHA TAKES COMMAND.

CAPE TOWN, April 10.—General Botha has re-opened negotiations with the British for peace.

As explained here, this action was determined in part by General Botha's discovery, at a recent meeting, that General Dewet's intellect had weakened, and that his influence with his followers was diminishing, and that a continuance of the campaign, in view of General Dewet's irresponsibility, rested with General Botha alone.

It is understood here that altho General Dewet, at his recent interview with General Botha, refused to surrender, Gen. Botha, regarding him as irresponsible, undertakes to negotiate in behalf of the entire Boer forces

The British authorities here consider that if Gen. Botha surrenders, Dewet's following can be easily taken.

[It will be recalled that Gen. Botha, after conference with the Boer leaders, refused Lord Kitchener's peace terms on March 18. Dewet was considered the stumbling block on that occasion, and ever since reports of his tottering mind have come to the ears of the world. Now it is evident that Botha means business and that the end is in sight.]

GENERAL BOTHA.

WAR REPORT IS CREDITED

London Hears the News With Satisfaction, Tho it is Not Officially Confirmed.

MUST BE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER

With Budget Needs Pressing the Boers May Reckon on Fair Treatment.

London, April 11.—"It is semi-officially asserted here," says the Cape Town correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, "that Gen. Botha has had another interview with Lord Kitchener, in which he informed him that he had seen Gen. Dewet, who still refused to entertain the idea of surrender on any terms. Gen. Botha, however, regards Dewet as no longer responsible for his actions, and seeks a modus vivendi on behalf of all the burgher forces."

The report that Gen. Botha has renewed the negotiations with Lord Kitchener is not yet officially confirmed, but it is generally credited and received with satisfaction, except by the ultra-jingoes, who fear that the Government will renew the terms recently rejected.

Regarding Gen. Dewet's mental condition, reports have been very conflicting for some time. His recent inactivity points to there being some truth in the rumors, which allege that long continued hardships, under the harassing British pursuit, have unhinged his mind.

On the other hand, a correspondent of The Times quite recently acknowledged the 'wonderful foresight and fertility of resource" which characterized Gen. Dewet's retreat from Cape Colony.

As during the previous abortive negotiations, the British press again loudly insists on "unconditional surrender," but, with the budgetary necessities staring the country in the face, if negotiations are reopened, the Boers, as The Daily Chronicle remarks editorially, "may reckon on fair treatment" at the hands of the British.

PLAINS OF ABRAHAM.

Ottawa, April 10.—(Special.)—Hon. Mr. Dobell stated the other day that he could not conscientiously support the payment of $80,000 by the Dominion for the Plains of Abraham as a national memorial. The reason is now coming out. The battlefield of the Plains of Abraham, just adjoining the walls of Quebec, is owned by the Ursulines. Adjoining the battlefield is the estate of the late Mr. Beckett, a former partner of Mr. Dobell. This property has magnificent buildings on it, which cost a large amount of money. Some short time ago Mr. Dobell, as executor or trustee for the Becketts, now in England, sold the property for $17,000 to two French-Canadians, all he could get for it, notwithstanding what was spent on the place. The Ursulines are now anxious to get the Beckett property for the seat of a new mother house for their sisterhood, and these two fortunate speculators, who are also something of politicians, are asking $80,000 for it. The sisters say they will surrender the adjoining property, the battlefield, for $80,000 to the Government, and use the $80,000 to buy the Beckett property. The two speculators thus stand to make $50,000. Mr. Dobell thinks he cannot conscientiously support such a proposition, when he sold the same property for $17,000.

TRUE BILL FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Against the Kemptville Young Men, Garrett, Dell, Newman and Gannon.

Brockville, Ont., April 10.—The Grand Jury at the Assizes this evening brought in a true bill for manslaughter against John Garrett, William Dell, Thomas Newman and James Gannon, who were implicated in the death of Launcelot Banks at Kemptville on March 6. Early that morning the four young men entered the livery office of Banks Bros., and created a disturbance, during which Launcelot J. Banks received a blow on the left side of the head above the temple, from a wagon stake, it is alleged, in the hands of John Garrett, which caused his death in a few hours. A warrant was at once made out by Magistrate Selleck, for the arrest of the four young men above named, and they were soon arrested. The coroner's jury found Garrett guilty of murder, and the other three were charged with being accessories. They were given a preliminary hearing before three magistrates and formally committed for trial at the Brockville Assizes, now in session here. The prisoners will be put on trial to-morrow.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Trades and Labor Council, Richmond Hall, 8 p.m.
Public Library Board, 8 p.m.
Royal Grenadiers' parade, 8 p.m.
Mr. and Mrs. Henschel, Massey Hall, 8 p.m.
Harbord Alumni, St. George's Hall, 8 p.m.
National Club banquet, 8 p.m.
Boxing championships, at Caledonia Rink, 8 p.m.
Mary Saxton, at St. George's Hall, 8 p.m.
Associated Charities, City Hall, 4 p.m.
Grand Opera House, John Hare, "The Gay Lord Quex," 8 p.m.
Toronto Opera House, "A Poor Relation," 2 and 8 p.m.
Princess Theatre, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," 2 and 8 p.m.
Shea's Theatre, vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.

THE C.P.R. CALLS OFF ITS DOGS AND THE CROW'S NEST BILL GOES

Arrangement at Last Reached by Which Jim Hill Will Be Allowed to Tap the Coal Mining District of British Columbia —Exact Terms Not Stated.

The C.P.R. will have their coal lands, now tied up for ten years, handed over to them at once.

The Coal Co. will undertake to supply the C.P.R. Trail Smelter with all the coal they need.

The Government to select its 50,000 acres immediately.

Ottawa, April 10.—(Special.)—The promoters of the Crow's Nest Railway Company will go before the Railroad Committee of the Commons to-morrow morning, without any opposition from the C.P.R. to their obtaining a charter to connect the Crow's Nest coal mines with Jim Hill's Great Northern Railway at the international boundary. It was to afford time for the conclusion of a truce between the two interests that consideration of the Crow's Nest bill was postponed at the last meeting of the committee. The exact terms of the arrangement have not transpired, but The World learned to-night that the C.P.R. has been secured in the privilege to work its own coal areas in the Crow's Nest district should the Crow's Nest Company fail to give satisfaction in the matter of coal and coke supply for the British Columbia smelters. These are as were assigned to the C.P.R. by the terms of the arrangement under which it bought out the British Columbia Southern charter four years ago, but it was provided that the company should not operate them so long as the Crow's Nest Coal Company adequately supplied the smelter demand. It appears, however, that the legal transfer of the areas had never been made, and it is said that the basis of the present arrangement, whereby the C.P.R. withdraws opposition to the railway bill, is that these areas have been formally deeded to the company, with the conditional operating clause confirmed.

But, altho the Canadian Pacific has thus quitted the field, there is every indication that the terms which it threatened to seek to impose upon the Crow's Nest Railway Company will be insisted upon in committee to-morrow by members acting purely in the public interest. These, it is said, will endeavor to have the charter-seekers bound to sell coal in British Columbia at a price not in excess of that charged to customers in the United States, a condition which the Crow's Nest people will fight against for all they are worth. They claim, as has been stated in The World, that to bind themselves to such terms would be to handicap them in competition for trade at distant points in the United States, a trade which, by increasing their output, would enable them to sell at lower prices in British Columbia than if they were confined to the domestic market solely.

The Supposed Terms.

Mr. Shaughnessy came up from Montreal this afternoon and met Mr. Elias Rogers, Mr. Lash, K.C., and some members of the Government, and this is said to be the present basis of settlement.

Under the charters and their agreement with the Crow's Nest Coal Company, the C.P.R. agreed, as stated above, not to develop their coal lands for a period of 10 years. They have the right to select six sections of 640 acres each, alternately with the Coal Company. The Coal Company, whose area is very large, have only opened up two of their sections, and it is now agreed that the C.P.R. shall be allowed to select two sections within six months from now, instead of being tied up for 10 years.

Another point in the arrangement just come to is that the Coal Company agrees to supply the C.P.R. and its smelter, and all other smelters in British Columbia, with the coal and coke necessary for these enterprises. In addition to this the Dominion Government will at once begin to select its coal lands, 50,000 acres of which it secures under its agreement with the C.P.R., known as the Crow's Nest Pass Railway contract. This area of British Columbia land the Dominion Government secures for the ostensible purpose of acting as a check on price of coal, and preventing the Coal Company or the C.P.R., or any combine of the two having a monopoly.

FRANCO-ITALIAN LOVE FEAST!

President Loubet Welcomes the Duke of Genoa Amid Cheers of Thousands.

DECORATIONS WERE DISPENSED.

Spanish, Japanese and Russian Officers Were Also Paid Compliments at Toulon.

Ville Franche, April 10.—President Loubet this morning paid his promised visit to the Russian squadron. He decorated Admiral Birileff and two of his officers with the Cross of the Legion of Honor. Admiral Birileff and his staff, contrary to usage, landed and conducted M. Loubet aboard the flagship. The whole squadron was dressed and manned.

President Loubet subsequently embarked on the St. Louis and sailed for Toulon.

The land batteries and the Italian and Spanish ships joined in the general salute to President Loubet, as the St. Louis entered the port, passing the Italian ships, whose sides were manned by their cheering crews, while the bands played the "Marseillaise." The Duke of Genoa and his staff, on the bridge of the Lepanto, exchanged salutes with M. Loubet and his Ministers.

The President Landed.

The President landed at 2 o'clock and drove in a landau thru streets lined with troops to the Place D'Armes, where he bestowed decorations on a number of military men. Thence M. Loubet repaired to the Prefecture. Great crowds everywhere heartily welcomed the President.

The Duke of Genoa and his staff left the Lepanto at 3 o'clock, all of the forty warships in the roads firing salutes. On his arrival at the arsenal, the Duke was received by the officials and conducted in a landau to the maritime prefecture, where he was received with military honors.

The Duke, who was in full uniform, was immediately presented to President Loubet. They cordially conversed for twenty minutes, after which the Duke handed M. Loubet the collar of the Order of the Annunciata. The suites were then introduced to one another, and the Duke of Genoa left and returned to his flagship with the same ceremonial as observed on his arrival.

Attentions to Spaniards.

President Loubet next received the officers of the Spanish battleship Pelayo, and compliments were exchanged, the representatives of each nation declaring that they rejoiced over the sympathy uniting their respective countries.

The officers of the Japanese and Russian warships were afterwards introduced.

Immense crowds assembled around the maritime prefecture and wildly cheered the representatives of each nation, especially the Russians. President Loubet later returned the Duke of Genoa's visit. President Loubet has sent numerous decorations of the Legion of Honor to the Italian officers, and he has also bestowed Legion of Honor decorations on three officers of the Spanish battleship Pelayo.

TO CURE THE GRIP IN TWO DAYS.
Lavative Bromo-Quinine removes the cause

BIG KOOTENAY DELEGATION

Thirty Leading Men From the Mining District of British Columbia Are Now in Ottawa.

AID OF THE GOVERNMENT SOUGHT

For the Establishment of Markets and Facilities for Handling Silver Lead Ores.

Ottawa, April 10.—(Special.)—The largest delegation which ever traveled the distance in Canada to interview a Government arrived here to-day, when 30 leading mining, commercial and professional men of the Kootenays came to Ottawa to lay before the Government the requirements of the mining industry. The members of the delegation are confident that British Columbia is destined to become the richest mining country in the world, but at present it is laboring under great disadvantages on account of the lack of market for silver lead ores. This difficulty has been brought about by the refusal of the American Smelting and Refining Company, a hundred-million-dollar trust, which controls smelting and refining in America, to purchase Canadian lead ores. This makes silver-lead mining useless, as no revenue can be derived from it. Two small smelters are operating in British Columbia, but under existing circumstances they claim they cannot add to their plants to treat the large output offered. It is to provide a market for the silver-lead ores that the Kootenays ask assistance from the Government. The delegates are not making public what requests they will make, or what the Government will be asked to do, pending a meeting with the Cabinet, which is now being arranged.

The delegation is unanimously in favor of the granting of the Crow's Nest charter, and a committee of western men will meet Hon. Mr. Blair in the morning before the Railway Committee meets to consider the bill. Several other matters affecting the mining industry will also be gone into with the Government. The mining men on the delegation represent many millions of dollars. They will be here a week.

The mould of form is the way good dressers speak of the clothing made by Holberlin Bros. & Co., the fashionable tailors of 158 Yonge St. This mould of form in a new spring suit is a good deal to any gentleman who is particular about his ways of dressing.

No Change in Situation.

New York, April 10.—It was said at the office of the Central Railroad of New Jersey to-day that no change had taken place in existing conditions between the employes and officials of the road.

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STEEL RAIL CONTRACT WAS MADE JUST BEFORE GENERAL ELECTION

Yet the Bargain Was Kept a Profound Secret Until Now—Contract is for Five Years—Hon. Mr. Blair Misstated the Terms in the House.

Ottawa, April 10.—(Special.)—The Minister of Railways, in Committee of Supply in the House yesterday, explained that he had entered into a contract with the Sault Ste. Marie Power Company, of which Mr. F. H. Clergue is president, for the supply of 25,000 tons of steel rails at $32.50 per ton, for the Intercolonial Railway, to be delivered during the coming summer. He added: "While we have no explicit contract with them for any term beyond the (fiscal) year in which we are now entering, we have an understanding with them under which, if they furnish us, as they engage to do, with rails of the quality and standard we require, and at the current price in the English market, we are prepared to continue to take over rails from them."

Misstated the Terms.

Such was the Minister's statement. The contract, when produced in the House to-day, showed that Mr. Blair had entirely misstated the terms of the agreement; that on the eve of the general election the Government, by order-in-council, had made a five-year contract with Mr. Clergue for 125,000 tons of rails, involving a sum of over four million dollars.

The Contract.

This is an exact copy of the contract:

Department of Railways and Canals.

—Agreement—

Between—Her Majesty the Queen and the Lake Superior Power Company of Sault Ste. Marie.

Date of Agreement—October, 1900.

Public Work Concerned—Intercolonial Railway.

Description—To enter into a contract with the company each year for five years (1901 to 1905) for the purchase of 25,000 tons of first quality steel rails.

Memoranda—This agreement is drawn up on the basis of the arrangement agreed upon with Mr. Clergue on account of the company, but I find it has not yet been returned by the company duly executed; but I have wired Mr. Clergue to return the contract signed by the company.

(Signed), Collingwood Schreiber.

Dated Ottawa, April 10, 1901.

Away Back in October.

An agreement made this —— day, ——, one thousand nine hundred ——.

Between Her Majesty the Queen, represented herein by the Minister of Railways and Canals, acting under the authority of an order-in-council, dated the ninth day of October, 1900, of the first part, and the Lake Superior Power Company of Sault Ste. Marie, in the province of Ontario, hereinafter called the company of the second part.

Whereas, for the purpose of encouraging the erection and equipment within Canada of plant and machinery for the manufacture and production, on most modern principles, of steel rails and plate and bridge materials, the aforementioned Minister of Railways has been authorized to execute a contract guaranteeing to the company the acceptance by Her Majesty, during the five years next following, of 25,000 tons of steel rails, at prices fixed as hereinafter specified. It is, therefore, agreed by and between Her Majesty, for herself, her successors and assigns, and the company for itself, its successors and assigns:

1. That Her Majesty will in each year during the years nineteen hundred and one to nineteen hundred and five, both inclusive, purchase from the company and take delivery of twenty-five thousand tons (of 2240 pounds to the ton) of first quality steel rails, eighty pounds to the yard, of sections from time to time prescribed and approved by the said Minister.

2. That the Minister shall, on behalf of Her Majesty, each year during the said five years, enter into a contract with the company, specifying in greater detail than herein set forth the time and place of the delivery of such rails, the section approved, the price and mode of payment, with other incidental particulars and provisions at the discretion of the Minister.

3. That with the exception of the year one thousand nine hundred and one, for which year the price per ton is hereby fixed at thirty-two dollars and sixty cents per ton, the price for such rails per ton shall be the same as the price obtainable for the same quality of rails in the open market in Great Britain at the time when the respective orders for such rails are given under the said contracts.

4. That the rails, deliverable under the contract for the first year's supply thereof, shall be delivered c.i.f., either at Levis or Montreal, as the Minister may specify. Delivery to be made, as far as practicable, in equal quantities per month, and shall commence in the month of June and be completed before the end of the following September; the rails deliverable during the balance of the said period of five years shall be delivered either at Halifax, Port Mulgrave, Levis or St. John, as may be required by the Minister, and either specified in the said contracts relating thereto or by the said Minister named from time to time during the progress of delivery.

5. That the company will execute all such contracts as may, during the said period of five years, be drawn in accordance herewith, and presented by the Minister for execution, and will manufacture and deliver the said rails for the said prices, and in all respects will comply with the provisions of the said contracts, or any of them.

In witness whereof the Minister so representing Her Majesty hereto aforesaid, and the secretary of the Department of Railways and Canals, have hereunto set their hands and the seal of the said Department has been hereto affixed, and the company has caused these presents to be signed by the president and vice-president, and its corporate seal affixed, the day and year first above written. Signed, sealed and delivered by Her Majesty in manner aforesaid in the presence of: Minister Railways and Canals, secretary Department Railways and Canals.

Signed, sealed and delivered by the company in manner aforesaid in the presence of .....

NEW LINES OF NAVIGATION

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IRON AND STEEL CONSTRUCTION.

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Midland Towing and Wrecking Company, capital $100,000.

T. Union Company, Hamilton, capital $80,000.

The Oak Grove Cheese and Butter Company, capital $2500.

The Midland Iron and Steel Construction Company, capital $40,000.

The Midland Navigation Company, capital $200,000.

J. A. McLear Produce Company, Toronto, capital $100,000.

Capital Publishing Company, Ottawa, capital $25,000.

Press Publishing Company, Toronto, capital $25,000.

Cronmiller & White Brewing and Malting Company, Port Colborne, capital $80,000.

Edwards and Hart-Smith, Chartered Accountants, offices Canadian Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto.

GEN. BOOTH IS 72.

London, April 10.—Gen. Booth of the Salvation Army to-day is celebrating his 72nd birthday by attending a series of meetings and receiving the congratulations of "the force." Telegrams from all parts of the world are coming in. The General is in good health.

Cook's Turkish & steam baths, 204 King w., cures colds, coughs and rheumatism

Turkish Baths at Pember's, 75c.

DEATH OF J. C. M'LAGAN.

Proprietor of Vancouver World Passed Away Yesterday—Well Known in Ontario.

Vancouver, B.C., April 10.—J. C. McLagan, editor and managing proprietor of The Vancouver World, died this evening after a prolonged illness. He was 62 years of age, and one of the best-known newspaper men in Western Canada.

Mr. McLagan was well-known in Ontario. He learned the printing trade in The Sentinel office (now Sentinel-Review), Woodstock, in the late fifties, and after completing his apprenticeship under the late Robert McWhinnie went to Guelph, where, after working for a time at the trade, he joined Mr. James Innes in the publication of The Mercury. About 25 years ago Mr. McLagan went to the Coast, and his career in the west was successful. Deceased was well liked by everyone. He was a vigorous fighter in anything which he took up, and while at times thought to be extreme, was recognized as a fair opponent in discussing issues of the day.

THE BIRD "FLEW THE COOP."

George Golding Got Away After a Sentence of Four Years Had Been Pronounced.

Winnipeg, April 10.—(Special.)—George Golding, who was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary yesterday by Judge Cumberland, escaped from the jail, and has not yet been recaptured. A force of police and jailers are searching for him.

WHEN IS A HEN?

Census Taker: Have you any stock?

Suburbanite: Nothing but eleven hens.

Census Taker: Nothing but hens! Why that is the very thing I want to find out.

(Suburbanite, counting his chickens next morning, finds he has only nine.)

Turkish Baths at Pember's, 75c

Conhig Bested Connolly.

Louisville, Ky., April 10.—Tom Conhig of Dunkirk, N.Y., was to-night given the decision over Eddie Connolly of New Brunswick in the eleventh round of a 20-round bout. Connolly was all but out when the police stopped the fight.

THE NEWSPAPER DELEGATION DEMAND REDUCTION IN POSTAGE

Publishers of Daily and Weekly Papers and Magazines Lay Their Grievances Before Members of Cabinet—No Tariff Changes to be Made, Says the Finance Minister.

Ottawa, April 10.—(Special.)—An influential deputation representing the newspaper publishing interests of the Dominion waited upon members of the Government this afternoon, in reference to the newspaper postage and the duty on news print. The Ministers present were Hon. Messrs. Fielding, Paterson and Sutherland. The delegates included Capt. McDonald of Alexandria, president of the Canadian Press Association; Mr. J. A. Cooper of The Canadian Magazine, secretary; A. W. Law, Monetary Times, assistant secretary; J. E. Atkinson, Toronto Star; M. Sauvelle, La Presse; P. D. Ross, Evening Journal; C. H. Parmelee, M.P., Waterloo Advertiser; J. T. Hawke, Moncton Transcript; Walter Scott, M.P., Regina Leader; A. J. Magurn, Winnipeg Free Press, and W. J. Douglas, Mail and Empire.

In the matter of newspaper postage, representations were made as to its burdensome character, and the Government was asked to introduce a bill reducing the charge to a flat rate not exceeding one quarter cent per pound, which was thought preferable to the proposal in the bill which the Senate threw out last session, of a reduced rate for circulation within the province of publication. The deputation also asked free exchange of newspaper mail between Great Britain and Canada at domestic rates.

Mr. Sutherland, acting Postmaster-General, in reply, said that he understood Mr. Mulock had given the matter some attention before he left for Australia, but his views had not been put in shape for action. The matter was, however, engaging the attention of the Department, and would be taken up as soon as possible.

Duty on News Print.

As to the duty on news print, Mr. Cooper read the following resolution adopted in 1900 by the Canadian Press Association, and re-affirmed at its recent annual meeting:

"That the Executive of the Canadian Press Association believe that a combine now exists among Canadian paper manufacturers, the effect of which is to unduly increase the price of news and printing paper, contrary to section 18 of the Customs tariff of 1897. That this Executive is prepared to submit witnesses and evidence in support of this statement. We, therefore, respectfully ask that the Government order an investigation under section 18 and sub-sections of the Customs Tariff Act of 1897, with a view to ameliorating existing conditions."

In support of this, members of the deputation furnished details of the workings of the supply trade, which made out a strong prima facie case of the existence of a combination, and asked that an investigation be held, so that upon proof of such combination the duty on paper would be removed.

The Finance Minister reminded the delegates that no tariff changes were to be made at present. The enquiry asked for would have to be of a judicial character, and necessarily slow. However, they had presented facts which were deserving of consideration, and he could at least promise that the matter would be duly laid before his colleagues of the Cabinet.

BUSINESS MEN OF MONTREAL FURIOUS AT THE GOVERNMENT

The Paltry $30,000 in the Supplementary Estimates for Aids to Navigation in the St. Lawrence Causes Great Indignation —Insurance Must Be Kept High.

Montreal, April 10.—(Special.)—Much indignation was expressed on 'Change this morning when it was learned that the Government had only included $30,000 in the supplementary estimates for improved aids to navigation in the St. Lawrence. As Mr. Torrance said, this morning, "It is not enough to build the lighthouse on Belle Isle." Said one of the best known marine insurance men: "The Government is simply playing with the matter and must be riding for a fall. Why, when we were in Ottawa last week, and saw the Premier and Sir Louis Davies, we were assured that no amount of money would be allowed to stand in the way of making provision for the safety of the route.

"The shipping and marine insurance men gave months of their leisure for the purpose of collecting definite information and we proved up to the hilt that the old light and signals are worse than useless at times, under modern conditions, and that insurance must keep as high as at present, at least until modern conditions are established on the route. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries certainly gave the delegation which waited on him the impression that he fully realized the gravity of the situation, and he was understood to promise that no money would be spared, and no time lost, in sweeping away the obsolete light and buoys, and providing new, of such a standard as would minimize all risks and dangers. Yet, now we see that only $30,000 has been appropriated for the many improvements needed from Montreal to the sea, which is so inadequate as almost to be ludicrous."

BURNED TO DEATH.

Simcoe Girl Cleaned Gloves With Gasoline and Caught on Fire From a Lamp.

Simcoe, April 10.—Maggie Brown, the eldest daughter of Frank A. Brown, just before retiring last night, put her gloves on in order to clean them with gasoline. While she was thus engaged, her younger sister, who occupied the same room, noticed that the lamp was on fire, and called Maggie's attention to the fact. The latter, without waiting to take off her gasoline saturated gloves, attempted to blow out the lamp, when her gloves and night apparel caught fire. A moment later the girl rushed down stairs a mass of flames.

Her mother attempted to put out the fire, and in doing so had her hands badly burned. Miss Brown died eight hours after the dreadful accident occurred.

BOY DRAGGED TO DEATH.

Was Leading a Colt, Which Ran Away and Dashed the Lad's Life Out.

St. Thomas, Ont., April 10.—Last evening the 16-year-old son of William Sloan, Dunwich Township, near Dutton, was leading a colt to water with the halter tie fastened around his wrist. The colt took fright and in dashing around swung the young man with such terrific force that he struck against a wagon, almost overturning it, and was instantly killed, his wrist being smashed to a jelly. The parents, who were in Dutton, were heart-stricken with grief on hearing the news at Wallacetown on their way home.

MAY COME IN THE FALL.

Kruger Will Not Sail for the United States on May. 31.

New York, April 10.—Charles D. Pierce, official representative in New York of the Boers, gives positive denial of the statement cabled from Europe that President Kruger will sail for the United States on May 31.

"There is absolutely nothing in the story," he said. "Mr. Kruger may come here in the fall, but not sooner. He is taking the rest which he needs so bodly."

Smoke Alive Bollard's Cool Mixtures Patent Capsori Pipe, always clean, 50c.

Special! Special!
A variety of plants in full bloom, left over from Easter, will be sold at very reasonable prices—lilac trees, azaleas, rhododendrons and many others. See them at Dunlop's salesrooms, 5 King-street west and 445 Yonge-street.

BUY A CAP.

The oculistic specialists did a land-office business yesterday, extracting the dust from the eyes of Toronto's afflicted pedestrians. Now that spring rains seem to be only a delightful figment of the imagination, it might be suggested that the angels and the watering carts be fetched out of winter quarters to repair the delinquency of nature. No artificial structures, unfortunately, can be brought to bear upon the ravages of the wind. Chasing hats occupies no mean space upon the day's program. No scientific means of circumventing the airy enemy have availed anything; strategy alone is left. Buy a cap.

MRS. JUDGE M'GIBBON DEAD.

Brampton, April 10.—Mrs Judge McGibbon died this morning. The town is greatly shocked, as she was a great favorite in many circles. She was a member of the Church of England and prominent in all social and philanthropic efforts. She leaves a husband and two children. Her son is a student at Toronto University.

Monuments.
The McIntosh Granite & Marble Company, Limited, 1119 and 1121 Yonge-street Tel. 4249. Terminal Yonge-street car route 146

Patents.—Fetherstonhaugh & Co., King-street West, Toronto, also Montreal, Ottawa and Washington.

DEATHS.

GARDE—On April 9, Charles B. Garde, aged 62 years.

Funeral from his brother's residence, 59 Huntley-street, on Thursday, April 11, to St. John's Cemetery, Norway.

MARK—On Wednesday morning, April 10, at Oshawa, William H. Mark, in his 53rd year, beloved father of Misses Bessie and Doll Mark of this city.

Funeral notice later.

McCOLLUM—At the General Hospital, on Wednesday, April 10, of appendicitis, Arthur Peter Turquand, second son of the late Dr. J. H. McCollum, aged 25 years.

Funeral from the residence of his mother, 166 Jarvis-street, on Friday, April 12, at 3 o'clock. Interment in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

SCOTT—At 81 Beaty-avenue, Toronto, on Tuesday, April 9, Elizabeth, relict of the late William Scott, County Kildare, Ireland, in her 85th year.

Funeral private.

WHAT MANN SAID TO BOLE

Winnipeg Man Said Mr. Mann Said Canadian Northern Could Not Pay Expenses First Year.

EXPECTED DEFICIT OF $200,000.

Brandon Conservatives Endorsed The Roblin Contract and Voted Confidence in Him.

Winnipeg, April 10.—(Special.)—D. W. Bole was interviewed to-day in regard to his statement before the citizens' railway deal committee last night, to the effect that D. D. Mann had admitted to him that the Canadian Northern could not pay for itself the first year, but that there would be a deficit of at least $200,000. Mr. Bole said: "I may say that I was not hunting interviews with Mr. Mann, but I met him at the Russell House, Ottawa, and, during the course of a conversation, I stated to him that we were not down there for the purpose of blocking legitimate railway enterprise, but with the object of knocking out what we considered an absurdly bad contract. If the contracts now before Parliament could have been improved so as to make them less one-sided and a little more in the interest of the province, we would not have been down there. I then asked him if things had gone so far that the present contract could not be withdrawn, and something of a more satisfactory nature submitted for consideration. Mr. Mann's reply was: 'These contracts or nothing.' I told him that the people were prepared to assume a reasonable liability, but that liability must be defined and the condition specifically laid down, so that the province would know where they were. I also stated that, personally, I would consider a straight loan for even so large a sum as $4,000,000 on any unhypothecated security carrying with it a 10-cent rate on wheat and a reasonable reduction on merchandise, rather than the present unknown and unsatisfactory contract. In further conversation, Mr. Mann admitted that the road could not earn more than two-thirds of the fixed charges after paying working expenses. This, of course, means a deficit of over $200,000 for the first year.

"What rate on wheat and merchandise was Mr. Mann calculating?"

"He did not say. Both Mr. Mackenzie and Mr. Mann stated that they were anxious to specify the rates, as such an arrangement would be much more satisfactory to them, but the Government had insisted on leaving the question open."

Brandon Conservatives Endorse It.

The Brandon Conservative Association last night passed the following resolution: "That this association takes this opportunity of placing on record its high appreciation of the efforts of the leader of the Government, Hon. R. P. Roblin, and his colleagues, and this association expresses its approval of the railway measures passed and hereby pledges its support, to the best of its ability, to all measures which may be deemed necessary to make the said acts effective."

Mr. Wallace Nesbitt of Toronto will be engaged by the Citizens' Protest Committee to fight the railway deal at Ottawa.

Arbor Day has been fixed for May 10.

BRAVE CANADIAN GETS V.C.

Dr. H. E. M. Douglas, Graduate of Queen's, Distinguished Himself.

Kingston, April 10.—Dr. H. E. M. Douglas, whose receipt of the Victoria Cross has just been announced, graduated from Queen's in 1897, and has many friends in Kingston. His home is at Kingston, Jamaica. It was at the battle of Magersfontein that Dr. Douglas signally distinguished himself, being with the Black Watch on their death march.

Furs Still Needed.
It is unwise to think that we can forsake our fur-lined wraps, evening cloaks or capelines just yet. With the weather unsettled and the chilly evenings they are the most comfortable articles of wearing apparel we can have, and, in addition to their usefulness this is the season to purchase furs at that well-established fur house, the W. & D. Dineen Co., corner Yonge and Temperance-streets, furs at prices that are more than an investment. To clear them and make room for their spring hat trade, we would ask you to read their advertisement, which appears in another column.

Fine Spring Day.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, April 10.—(8 p.m.)—The weather is still somewhat unsettled in the Maritime Provinces. It has, however, cleared in Quebec, and elsewhere it has remained fine. The very mild conditions still continue from the Rockies to Manitoba, and higher temperature is indicated for Ontario and Quebec.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 48—56; Kamloops, 42—64; Calgary, 26—64; Qu'Appelle, 38—50; Winnipeg, 32—62; Port Arthur, 26—44; Parry Sound, 30—52; Toronto, 34—54; Ottawa, 34—50; Montreal, 34—44; Quebec, 32—40; Halifax, 38—58.

Probabilities.

Lower, Lakes, Georgian Bay, Ottawa Valley, Upper and Lower St. Lawrence—Fine and quite mild.

Gulf—Fine and a little milder.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

April 10.	At.	From.
Livonian	Halifax	Glasgow
Georgian	New York	Liverpool
Assyrian	New York	Glasgow
Hohenzollern	New York	Genoa
Majestic	New York	Liverpool
K.W.der Grosse	Bremen	New York
Sardinian	Glasgow	New York
Furnessia	Glasgow	New York
Teutonic	Queenstown	New York

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