

THE WAR BETWEEN SPAIN AND STATES

STATEMENT BY FRENCH AND RUSSIAN OFFICIALS

They Declare Both Powers Acted in a Manner Which Was Friendly to America.

Paris, Jan. 22.—In view of the statement made by Lord Cromborne, the British under secretary of state for foreign affairs, in the House of Commons on Monday, on the subject of representations made to Great Britain before and after the outbreak of the Spanish-American war...

In the first place, in the Spanish negotiations at the end of March, 1898, to secure the intervention of the powers in her favor, Great Britain took the same attitude as France and the other powers. She neither refused nor consented to join in a collective action.

The Spanish ambassador in London says Mr. Balfour, the first lord of the treasury, who must at that time have been acting as secretary of state for foreign affairs, during the absence of Lord Salisbury at Beaulieu, France, who promised to instruct Lord Pauncefoot to act alone, or with his colleagues, with the view to maintaining peace.

This was the extent of Great Britain's action in favor of the United States. The statement of the British foreign office official, quoted in the London dispatch of the Associated Press regarding France's alleged support of the Austrian proposition, is declared to be incorrect.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 22.—The correspondent here of the Associated Press has obtained the following statement from the Russian office regarding the announcement made in the British House of Commons on Monday concerning negotiations between the powers before and after the outbreak of the Spanish-American war...

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—The will of the late Judge Gwynne was probated to-day. It bequeaths a life interest in the entire estate of \$53,000 to the widow, and after her death the estate is to be equally divided between the four children.

CUMBERLAND NOTES. (Special Correspondence of the Times.) W. Willard is mayor for the second year, he being elected by a majority of nine over J. Roe.

GUNBOAT FOR COLON.

The Marietta Will Assist in Looking After United States Interests. Washington, Jan. 23.—As a result of the renewed activity of the Liberal forces of Colombia on the Isthmus of Panama, Secretary Long has ordered the gunboat Marietta to proceed to Colon in order to co-operate with the cruiser Philadelpia in Panama.

FIGHTING IN ARMENIA.

Constantinople, Jan. 23.—The Kurds are in the field in Armenia and sanguinary tribal conflicts have occurred in the vilayets of Bitlis and Van. Twenty men were killed in the Bitlis fight, and both sides suffered heavily.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND NAVAL RESERVE SCHEME

Legislation Will be Introduced in the Imperial Commons to Place It on a Permanent Basis.

London, Jan. 23.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Arnold Forster, parliamentary secretary to the admiralty, said legislation would be introduced to place the Newfoundland naval reserve scheme on a permanent basis.

CANADIAN NEWS NOTES.

The Arrest of Gordon at Halifax—Twenty-Two and Twenty-One Wed. Montreal, Jan. 22.—The sensation of the hour is the announcement that John Morrison, a very wealthy old man of this city, was married yesterday to Miss Ethel Isabel Froh.

Patrick Farrell, who stole a coat containing \$9,700 in money, which he burned, was discharged from custody to-day under unusual circumstances. When the officers first called upon Farrell after the theft, they were so anxious to get the coat and incidentally the money, that they told Farrell if he would tell them where the coat was he would not be prosecuted.

Winnipeg, Jan. 22.—Several delegations asking for extension of the Canadian Northern system were received to-day by William Mackenzie and the Manitoba government, and their claims promised consideration.

Charged With Double Murder. News of the capture at Halifax of Walter Gordon, the alleged murderer of Jacob Smith and Charles Daw at White-water, Manitoba, in 1900, is received with much satisfaction here.

Quebec, Jan. 22.—A collision occurred yesterday at Forestdale, on the Intercolonial, between two freight trains. The collision resulted in several cars being smashed up, but no one was injured.

Warton, Ont., Jan. 22.—Harvey Sampson, a young man from Parkhill, married only three weeks ago, was killed by a falling tree near Adamsville to-day.

Dunnville, Jan. 22.—Leonard Stewart, Grand Trunk brakeman, slipped while boarding a train here this afternoon and was almost instantly killed. He leaves a wife and three small children.

Toronto, Jan. 22.—Archibald J. Thompson, formerly one of the best known cattle exporters in Canada, is dead. He had been for almost fifty years identified with the cattle trade, and was one of the first to engage in business of shipping to England a quarter of a century ago.

The millers' section of the board of trade want that board to take up the question of a tax on wheat or flour by the British government and suggest that an opinion should be expressed that no tax should be placed on those products coming from the colonies.

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SCHEEPERS GUILTY OF SEVEN MURDERS

WHY THE BURGHER LEADER WAS EXECUTED

A. J. Balfour Makes an Evasive Reply to Question Regarding Boer Peace Proposals.

London, Jan. 23.—The war secretary, Mr. Brodrick, was asked by Wm. Redmond, Irish Nationalist, in the House of Commons to-day why Commandant Scheepers, who was captured by Gen. French in October last, was executed last Saturday at Graat Renet, Cape Colony.

The secretary replied that Scheepers was shot because he had been convicted of various offences against the usage of war, including seven cold blooded murders of natives and the flogging of a white man. Mr. Brodrick added that the fact that Commandant Scheepers was a prisoner of war carried no exemption from trial for murder, or other violations of the rules of war.

Mr. Balfour, the government leader in the House, partially parried an interesting question put by Mr. McLaren, Liberal, as to whether any proposals on behalf of the leaders of the Boers with a view of bringing about a settlement of the war had been received by the government since the negotiations between Gen. Kitchener and Gen. Botha.

Queenstown, Jan. 23.—The British transport Minnesota, with troops on board bound for South Africa, stranded while leaving Queenstown this morning. Her stern is high out of water and she has a list to starboard, but it is expected that she will be floated at high tide this evening.

Washington, Jan. 23.—In the senate to-day Mr. Teller, Colorado, called up the resolution introduced by Mr. Teller providing the intervention of the United States government in behalf of Commandant Scheepers, of the Boer army, sentenced to death by the British South African authorities.

Re James Redford, deceased.—Application for probate of writ granted. T. Fell for applicant.

YESTERDAY'S INQUEST. Threw No Light on Manner of Young Geo. Henry's Death. Nothing was brought out at the coroner's inquest, which was held yesterday afternoon in connection with the death of young George Henry, to justify any suspicion that the lad's life was not terminated through accident.

QUICK CAPTURE. Sergt. Murray, of the provincial police force, effected a quick capture yesterday afternoon. Shortly after noon Dr. Handyside of the Royal Naval hospital, informed the police that about two weeks ago he had lost from his rooms there a quantity of wearing apparel.

AT MOUNT SICKER. The Flourishing Settlement in Victoria's Nearby Mining Camp. Two or three days ago Rowland Mathew, representative of Holman Brothers, of Cornwall, went up to Mount Sicker and installed the celebrated drills manufactured by that firm, in the Lenora mine there, and it was with one of these drills that the strike was made in No. 3 tunnel, as already mentioned.

PUBLIC OPINION IS STRONG IN FAVOR OF PAIN-KILLER. For over sixty years the formula for the relief of rheumatism, neuralgia, and all bowel complaints. Avoid substitutes. It is but one Pain-Killer. Price 25c and 50c.

TWO MEN IN A SLOOP.

Provincial Police Department Has More Precise Description of Two Smugglers.

Ever since the capture of Ole Christen by the provincial police and the establishment of the fact that he was not one of the men in the sloop who were operating together along the West Coast, the police have been endeavoring to learn further particulars of these two smugglers.

AN OLD QUESTION BEFORE NEW BOARD

INAUGURAL SESSION HELD LAST EVENING

Decided to Take No Action Till Midsummer—Report of Arbitrator Will Be Published.

The first meeting of the board of school trustees for the year 1902 was held last evening in the council chamber, all the members being present. Dr. Lewis Hall was re-elected chairman for the ensuing term.

THE APPLICATION FOR MANDAMUS REFUSED

The Court Dismisses It, Counsel for Applicants Admitting Defectiveness of the Speaker's Warrant.

Following is the list of applications refused before Mr. Justice Martin this morning in Chambers: Rosy vs. Henry—Application for an order for leave to proceed with the partition of the estate. Application granted.

Biggs vs. Trust M. Co.—Application on behalf of plaintiffs for an order for discovery. Order made. J. H. Lawson, Jr., for applicant; Thornton Fell, contra.

Newton vs. Escolme and Bank of B. N. A.—Application on behalf of the plaintiffs for an order restraining the defendant from introducing or otherwise dealing with the property, the subject matter in this section, until after the trial of this cause.

Re Mandamus in the matter of the Constitution Act and Provincial Elections Act and Amending Acts, and in re A. Campbell Reddie.—An adjourned hearing of this matter came on in Chambers this morning.

Trustee Jay pointed out that separate contracts had been let for the building, and the heating and ventilating, and any other contractor coming into the building would interfere with Mr. Catterall's work. It had been proposed to allow him some compensation. The matter was referred to the building and grounds committee for report.

Trustee Jay said that the question was outside the power of the board to deal with. The writer will be informed to this effect. H. M. Graham asked for a share of insurance patronage. The principal of the North Ward school informed the board that some of the junior pupils were inadequately provided with books, etc.

Trustee Mrs. Jenkins, believed in doing justice to all, there were other teachers besides those mentioned who had been unfairly treated they should be dealt with equitably. She thought it unfair that the outgoing board should bind the incoming one to its action in the matter.

Trustee Boggs moved that the applications be received and filed. He regretted that he felt bound to make this motion, but contended that it was unfair that the new board should be expected to vote on a subject of which they had very little knowledge.

Trustee Drury added that if all the members of the board were in favor of rescinding the regulations he would most heartily join with them. But unless they unanimously decided to do this he did not consider they would be justified in taking action.

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Trustee Boggs, seconded by Trustee Huggett, moved that the superintendent furnish the board as far as possible with the ages of all the boys and girls attending the Victoria High school. The parent of the motion said that his object was to counteract the impression that the pupils of the High school were over the school age.

The Archduchess Elizabeth, in view of her marriage to Prince Otto Von Wittelsch-Graetz, who is not of royal blood, has taken the oath renouncing all claims for herself and her descendants to the Austrian throne.

Trustee Drury reported that after a conference with the chairman and Trustee Drury he had placed insurance to the amount of \$5,000 on the new high school building, upon which there had been none. The contract called for joint insurance to be carried by the contractor and the board.

Trustee Drury reported the result of the conference between the board and the contractor of public instruction regarding the duties of the superintendent. Hoy Mr. Prentice had stated that if the board

Quesnelle Quartz Mining Company Limited.

LOCATION OF WORKS, HIXON CREEK. NOTICE.

There is delinquent upon the following described stock on account of assessment levied on the 22nd November, 1901, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Table with columns: Name, No. of Shares, No. of Shares, Total, Amount. Lists shareholders like J. F. Hawks, M. L. Blanchard, John McDonald, etc.

And, in accordance with law, so many shares of each parcel of said stock as may be necessary will be sold at the office of the Company at Quesnelle, B. C., on the 24th day of February, 1902, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day to pay said delinquent assessments thereon, together with costs of advertising and expenses of the sale.

W. A. JOHNSTON, Secretary. Quesnelle, B. C., Jan. 11th, 1902.

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INCREASES TO ALL THE LETTERS

Expenditures on Public Works

Hunter Discovers a Plot. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.

Another very successful held at Boleskin road last series of highly encouraging in Mr. Riley's schoolhouse was filled all of whom, with the exception of Mr. C. W. Cwens, seemed to be in favor of the removal of the schoolhouse.

Mr. Riley, who has been in receipt of the letter, was given hearty cheers. Mr. Ald. Yates was voted to be in charge of the schoolhouse.

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