

GREATEST DOG OF WAR AFLOAT

America Plans Greatest Warship

A MONSTER

32,000 Tons, With Broadside Batteries of 14 Inch Guns

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—If present plans go through, congress at its next session will authorize the construction of the greatest battleship the world has ever seen, a monster of not less than 32,000 tons displacement, equipped with broadside batteries of 14 inch guns of the new type.

At an executive session of the house naval committee today, with even the official stenographer barred, Secretary of the Navy Meyer discussed freely and frankly his plans for making the United States the first sea power of the world. Were it not for the fact that the navy department is still conducting its experiments with the new type of 14 inch gun the secretary would have asked that the two battleships that will probably be authorized by the committee this year be made 23,000 or even 30,000 ton vessels instead of 27,000, which will be the figure. But it only remains for the new gun to be demonstrated a success under all conditions, which is thought to be practically assured, for the navy department to begin preparing the plans for the most powerful battleship in the world.

TAFT PRAISES THE HEBREWS

Speaks on American Immigration Problems

MAKES PROMISES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23.—In replying today to a delegation from the American Association of Foreign Language Newspapers, who called at the White House to protest against certain immigration bills pending in Congress, President Taft highly praised the Jews who have come to America from various parts of the world and have become imbued with a true spirit of patriotism.

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BETTER PROVISION FOR LARGE VESSELS

Is What Canada Needs, Says Sir Montagu Allan

Style of New Steamers Will Depend Wholly on the Requirements of the M. X. Mail Contract

MONTREAL, March 1.—That the construction of more docking facilities on the Canadian coast should precede the construction of bigger ships, is the opinion expressed by Sir Montagu Allan, in an interview with a representative of London "Canada".

Regarding the naval policy of Canada as laid down by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his recent speeches, Sir Montagu said: "I believe the great bulk of Canadians are in favor of building the proposed vessels in Canada where we have iron and steel in abundance. The installation of a thoroughly equipped plant would give the needed impetus to the shipbuilding industry in Canada which in a few years will undoubtedly develop enormously."

G. T. R. MAY HAVE LINE TO BOSTON

Canadian Railway May Become Independent of New England Road

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—The result of President Mellens' threats to break up the harmonious relations that have existed between the Grand Trunk and the Boston and Maine Railway which is now controlled by the New York, New Haven and Hartford, or which Mr. Mellens is president, may be that the Grand Trunk will have its own line to Boston, and thus be independent of the New England road, over whose routes it has hitherto entered Boston, paying handsomely for the privilege.

WILL AVERT TARIFF WAR

Members of American Tariff Board Going to Ottawa

Readjustment of Present Difficulties Is Expected

Canadian Members Are Willing to Be Convinced

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 23.—Although no official advice has been received here concerning press despatches from Washington announcing that Messrs. Emery and Pupper, members of the United States tariff board, are coming to Ottawa this week to talk over with the government here the present tariff problem in respect to a possible application of the maximum clause of American tariffs to Canada on March 31st, Canadian ministers accept the announcement as correct.

The coming of the members of the tariff board to Ottawa will probably result in a general clarification of the present rather delicate situation with regard to a possible disaster and far-reaching dislocation of mutual trade interests of the two countries consequent upon a tariff war. The Canadian government does not believe that there is any time in Canada's present fiscal policy which constitutes any "undue discrimination" against the United States but at the same time if American representatives can make out a case showing that there is any reasonable ground for assertion that such "undue discrimination" exists the government here is ready to consider any practical way out of the difficulty.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 23.—Twenty-four persons are known, to-night, to be dead as the result of snow slides yesterday and to-day in the mining region of northern Idaho. To the nineteen who perished in the avalanches at Mace and Burke, Idaho, last night and early to-day, are added three more who died in a similar disaster yesterday when the camp of the Carbonate Hill Mining Company at Muller, Idaho, was destroyed, and two were killed at Dorsey, Idaho, to-day. In Canada's present fiscal policy which constitutes any "undue discrimination" against the United States but at the same time if American representatives can make out a case showing that there is any reasonable ground for assertion that such "undue discrimination" exists the government here is ready to consider any practical way out of the difficulty.

STABBED BY WOMAN WHOM HE ATTACKED

Ontario Farmer May Die From His Wounds

Splendid Gift to Toronto University—Medical Students Routed the D. G. Ca-shers and Freed Their Victims

TORONTO, March 1.—Announcement is made that the executors of the estate of the late Harry A. Massey have made a fine gift to Toronto University. The gift consists in brief of an undertaking to erect a building for the university Y. M. C. A., one for the Students' Union and Athletic Association, and a third building to be used in such a manner as the authorities may decide. All the buildings are to be of stone, in Gothic style of architecture, and whatever the cost is the estate will bear it.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

THE HOME PHYSICIAN

Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills Cure Most of the Family's Ills.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—In Oxford a new comic opera has been produced by Mr. Cameron Arthur which is attracting the careful study of English theatrical producers. It is called "The Crimson Butterfly," and was written by Mr. William T. Ivory. The music was composed by Signor Eugenio Coppo. It is styled a musical comedy, but that is misleading, especially the comedy part, as the play is nearly all music, while the little comedy it contains is of such a poor and crude nature as not to be worthy of serious attention. On the other hand, the music is extremely good. It is as light as a feather, and quite as tickling to the senses. There are three songs in it which in themselves will make the opera a success when it is first produced. These songs are as catchy as anything I have heard for a long time.

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WRECK DUE TO A BROKEN TIRE

SERIOUS GLASH AT SPRINGHILL

Shot Fired—One Man is Badly Beaten—Hearing in the Police Court

SPRINGHILL, Feb. 23.—Practically the first disturbance in connection with the Springhill strike occurred here Saturday evening, when two of the employees came up town in company with one of the detectives, named Constable Timms. It is stated by the U. M. W. men that the company employees had been drinking. Whether this is true or not your correspondent cannot say, but a row occurred between the men and some of the strikers near Rogers' Corner, and one of the men was badly beaten; Timms and the men retreated to the palace and in the fracas a shot was fired. This morning Timms was brought before Stipendiary Hunter charged with discharging firearms. Two men swore positively that they saw Timms fire the shot.

He was represented by Detective Powers, who placed the prisoner on the stand. He swore that the shot was fired by one of the men with him. An adjournment was made until tomorrow to call further witnesses.

IRON AND STEEL BOUNTIES TO GO

Government Decides to Drop Them—In Force 14 Years

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 23.—It is not the intention of the Government to renew the iron and steel bounties which finally expire at the end of the coming year. The bounties have now been in force for fourteen years, and the government believes that the iron and steel industries are now established on a sufficiently firm basis to do without the crutch of an annual subsidy from the Federal treasury. The dividends paid and the increasing output of large iron and steel plants built up since 1896 are an evidence of this.

'I'M A LIVING SORROW'

SAYS FORMER QUEEN

Empress Eugenie, Who Created a Napoleon Wants Past Forgotten

PARIS, Feb. 23.—"I have lived; I have been; I do not ask for more. I ask not to be remembered. I am the past. I am the distant horizon where exists a mirage, a shadow, a phantom, a living sorrow." So spoke, with the infinite grief that possesses her, the Empress Eugenie to an Italian journalist at her Villa Cyrenne, Cap Martin, on the Riviera. She was the lovely empress of the French, whose husband died an exile at Chislehurst, England, whose son, the prince imperial, was killed by Zulu assegais, who whose boudoir was entered through a church door, permitted herself to be interviewed. This journalist says: "Eighty-four years of age, the once countess of Montebello broke the reserve which she has nourished and maintained for well nigh forty years."

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