

GIVING UP THE FIGHT

Sir Charles Tupper Sees It Is Useless to Continue the Campaign In Ontario.

INCREASED LIBERAL MAJORITY ASSURED

Leader of Opposition Will Find It Hard to Retain His Seat In Cape Breton—Cold Comfort For Conservatives.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Oct. 27.—Reports received here from all parts of Canada go to show that the Liberals are steadily gaining in strength, and that the Laurier government will be sustained on November 7th by an overwhelming majority.

In Ontario the Conservatives have given up the fight. There is not a Conservative leader, outside of Sir Charles Tupper, who is campaigning in this province, and Sir Charles has cancelled nearly all his meetings here so as to go to Cape Breton, where he is fighting for his own seat, with very little hope of holding it. His friends have advised him that unless something is done in Cape Breton he will certainly be defeated along with all other members on the island, and the leader of the opposition has cancelled his engagements in Ontario to go and see what can be done. He rushed to Ontario a few days ago in the hope of getting up a counter demonstration to that given to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, but his friends showed him the folly of anything of that kind as it would turn out to be a failure.

La Presse told the cold truth when it said that Tory Toronto had gone back on Tupper, that Ontario would stand by Laurier, and that there would be no decrease in the majority in this province.

It should be remembered that in all Tupper's predictions, as well as in all Tory predictions, Ontario is declared to be going Tory. As a matter of fact Ontario has got no use for Tupper. It should also be remembered that Sir John Macdonald and all his followers in the palmiest days of that great statesman were fought to a standstill by the Ontario Grits. In 1891 the Liberals had a majority in this province and Sir Charles was then doing all he could to assist Sir John. No one pretends to say that Tupper, single-handed, can do what Sir John Macdonald and all his forces were unable to accomplish. Ontario has got no use for anyone of the name of Tupper.

The spectacle of the leader of the opposition appealing to Sir Mackenzie Bowell to stay away from Carleton Place and not to attack Hagar, and Sir Mackenzie refusing to do so, adds to the troubles of the party. Bowell knows well who it was that led the "Nest of Traitors," and who it was that supplanted him. Bowell says now he telegraphed to Tupper to come to Canada previous to his ministry resigning, but he should have also told that Tupper called him asking him to do so, and that he hesitated in complying with Tupper's request. Bowell is too loyal to the Tory party to come out against Tupper, but when he refuses to stay his hand against the "Nest of Traitors," he has always got one eye when administering his blows on that arch conspirator, politically of course, who stood behind the strikers.

From the Pacific Coast reports are that five out of six seats will go to the Liberals, while Hon. Clifford Sifton, in Manitoba and the Territories, will take 9 out of the 11 seats. Quebec cannot give 15 members in all to the Tupper, and Hon. Mr. Blair will sweep New Brunswick. In Nova Scotia there will be good fighting if the Tories get four seats.

If Tupper and his followers can take any comfort out of such a state of affairs they are welcome to it. They have run up against a terrible blizzard. In the city of Ottawa none of the old-time Conservatives are taking any part in the campaign, and not a few of them will vote for Liberal candidates.

REPORTED SERIOUSLY ILL

Prominent Physicians Have Been Summoned to Attend Dowager Empress of China.

(Associated Press.)

Tien Tsin, Oct. 26.—Information has been received from Japanese sources that the Empress Dowager is seriously ill. Tai Chuen Fu, and that the most prominent physicians in the empire have been called to attend her.

New York, Oct. 27.—A step in the direction of arbitration of the Chinese difficulties, a Washington dispatch to the Herald says, has been taken by Secretary Hay. He has called to Ministers of the suggestion made by Russia that in case of a protracted divergence of views the question of indemnity be referred to the Hague court for decision, and instructed him to consult with his colleagues as to the demands their governments might make upon China in this respect. Should he report that it is not possible to reach an agreement, then Secretary Hay intends to advocate vigorously the adoption of Russian suggestion as the easiest method of obtaining a satisfactory solution.

Without Foundation

Toronto Globe Denies the Report Sent Out From Grand Forks

That Kettle River Railway Charter Was to Be Disallowed by Government.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 27.—The Globe yesterday had a leading article headed "Discreditable Campaigning," in which it characterizes the story sent out from Grand Forks by W. Harkin, formerly of the Montreal Star, that the Kettle River Valley Railway charter was to be disallowed, as false and absolutely without foundation.

The Globe adds that it is a transparent fraud, and the idea of distributing such news arose with someone having a purpose to serve.

CHINESE EMPEROR'S APPEAL

Wants Russian Protection for the Manchurian Provinces.

London, Oct. 27.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "Emperor Nicholas has received a letter from the Chinese Emperor, asking him to take the conquered Manchurian provinces under Russian protection.

Guerrillas at Work.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26.—The remainder of the Chinese troops in the wide spaces of country around Mukden (Manchuria), official dispatches say, are broken up into guerrilla bands, which are plundering villages and farms.

Three explosions which occurred at Mukden on October 10th, whereby 26 Russians were wounded, were deliberately carried out by the Chinese while the Russians were engaged in destroying the contents of a powder magazine.

Filipinos' Heavy Losses

Over a Thousand Killed and Wounded During Fight in Luzon.

Casualties Among United States Soldiers—Retired Before Larger Force.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Oct. 26.—The war department to-day received a dispatch from Gen. MacArthur, giving an account of a fight in which a detachment of American troops attacked a superior force of Filipinos. The dispatch is as follows:

Manila, Oct. 24.—First Lieut. Feiger and 40 men of the 33rd regiment, United States infantry volunteers, and Second Lieut. Grayson, V. Heidt, and 60 men of the 3rd cavalry attacked the insurgents forty-seven miles east of Narvican, Ilocos, province of Luzon, and developed a strong position occupied by about 400 riflemen, and 1,000 Bolomen, under the command of Juan Villamor, subordinate of Timos. A desperate fight ensued, which was most creditable to the force engaged, though, under the heavy pressure of overwhelming numbers, our troops were compelled to return to Narvican, which was accomplished in a tactical, orderly manner.

Acting Assistant-Surgeon Bath and a civilian teamster were captured early in the fight, and were released by Villamor.

"According to accounts the insurgents were much stronger than reported here, and their loss, at a moderate estimate, is over one thousand.

"Our losses were: Killed, First Lieut. Geo. L. Feiger, Chas. A. Lindeberg, Wm. F. Wilson, 33rd regiment United States volunteer infantry; Andrew T. Johnson, Farrier, Guy B. McClintock, 3rd regiment United States cavalry; Missing: John J. Boyd and Samuel B. Harris, 33rd regiment; Samuel Davis and Fred. Schwen, of the 3rd cavalry. Twenty-nine horses are missing, some known to be killed. (Signed) McArthur."

A Gallant Defence

The Town of Jacobsdal Has Been Captured by a Force of Boers.

Desperate Resistance by Capetown Highlanders, Who Lost Thirty-four Men.

(Associated Press.)

Capetown, Oct. 26.—The Boers have captured Jacobsdal, southeast of Kimberley, after a stubborn resistance on the part of the garrison, which consisted of a detachment of Capetown Highlanders.

The latter suffered severely, losing 34 out of 63 men.

Kruger's Plans.

Paris, Oct. 26.—Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal agent, who is in this city for a few days, was questioned by a representative of the Associated Press to-day with reference to the plans of former President Kruger. He said:

"Most of the stories published on the subject are imaginative. Mr. Kruger is an old man and not accustomed to a cold climate, so it is likely he will sojourn in the neighborhood of Nice for the winter."

Refugees Discontented.

Capetown, Oct. 26.—The refugee committee has cabled a statement to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain regarding the continued delay in granting permission to refugees to turn to the Transvaal.

Upon the receipt of a reply a mass meeting will be held by the refugees, who are daily becoming more discontented because of the continued refusal of the authorities to permit them to return to their homes.

Anarchist Conspiracy

To Assassinate the President of France During Visit to Lyons.

Man Arrested Has Confessed to the Police, Who Are Watching Accomplices.

(Associated Press.)

Lyons, Oct. 27.—The Nouvellist de Lyons says a plot to assassinate President Loubet has been discovered.

It appears that a working electrician named Cautaurier entered the electric company's premises at Nimes and stole 2,500 francs. He was traced to Orange, near Lyons, where he was arrested. Documents found on his person revealed, the paper says, an anarchist conspiracy to assassinate President Loubet on his coming visit to Lyons to unveil a monument erected to the memory of President Carnot.

Contaurier is said to have committed the burglary in order to obtain funds to carry out his project. He has, it is added, confessed to the police, who are now tracking his accomplices and watching anarchists in order to prevent any attempt to carry out the scheme.

McCLUSKEY HAS THE CASE.

New York, Oct. 26.—The capture of the defaulting note teller, Cornelius L. Alvord, jr., has been officially left in the hands of Captain McCluskey, chief of detectives. It was said that a reward would probably be offered to-day by the bank.

RALPH SMITH AT EXTENSION.

(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, Oct. 27.—Ralph Smith addressed a meeting at Extension last night. He received an enthusiastic reception and his moderate address made a very good impression.

Rev. W. E. Cummings, of Nanaimo, arrived from San Francisco yesterday.

Returning Volunteers

Preparations Being Made in London to Welcome Men From Africa.

Buller to Arrive on 10th of November and Roberts in December.

(Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 27.—The preparations here to welcome on their return to England from South Africa the few hundred men who constitute the City Imperial Volunteers have entirely monopolized England's attention this week, banishing from notice matters of international import. Although this half regiment of young Londoners, brokers, clerks and others, has not performed any very heroic feats, thousands of people are pouring into London in order to witness their home-coming, and windows along the line of march have been sold at prices almost equal to those demanded at the time of the Jubilee procession in addition.

Decorations and illuminations costing many thousands of pounds have been prepared.

The announcement of the non-arrival of the volunteers, and the consequent postponement of the pageant, was a great disappointment to many thousands. People from all parts of the country are now aimlessly parading the route. The throngs are so great that business is practically suspended and traffic disorganized, and Saturday night will doubtless witness a repetition of the Mafeking carnival.

It is pointed out that the intense patriotism which all this is supposed to signify would be better appreciated were more representative of the forces in the field, or if there were not hundreds of Colonial volunteers, who had fought in South Africa, walking the streets of London unnoticed, and unearned for. This circumstance has caused some bitter reflections to be cast on the Mother Country by the colonial sections in London, and regular army men are not too pleased that the "cream of public enthusiasm" over the return of the troops should be secured by a small body of volunteers, which it is freely admitted cannot compare with several of the irregular units.

The next big celebration will probably occur on November 10th, when Gen. Buller is due at Southampton. He will receive the freedom of several cities, and will doubtless have a triumphant progress, though the reception which will be

According to Lord Roberts will, of course, eclipse the celebration which will attend Buller's return to England.

Lord Roberts is expected in December, and in the same month, a representative of the Associated Press learns, another distinguished man, Cecil Rhodes, will return from South Africa. In pursuance of his determination to adopt a self-liquidation policy until the war is entirely over, it is likely that Mr. Rhodes's home-coming will be quieter than that of the most insignificant private of the City Imperial Volunteers.

It is asserted that Major Gold Adams, the Irish commissioner in Bechuanaland, will be made governor of the Orange River Colony. General Buller is slated to resume command at Aldershot. General Kitchener, it is said, will temporarily

Succeed Lord Roberts

in command of the troops in South Africa, but will, it is further asserted, be eventually replaced by Major-General Lyttelton, and Kitchener will then be likely to come home and assume the duties of adjutant-general.

The death of Sims Reeves on Thursday last, at Worthing, removes an ideal of the British public, who for 30 years eclipsed any prima donna of these days. Lengthy obituaries and reminiscences of the famous tenor appear on all sides. But a pathetic feature connected with his death has quite escaped attention. Reeves caught a chill a few days ago, and it developed into bronchitis. His condition improved on Thursday morning, and he was not believed to be in danger. Mrs. Reeves, many years younger than her husband, to whom she was married in 1895, after the death of his first wife, left her husband in their modest home in Worthing.

To Sing in London

for the benefit of the survivors of Balaklava. Just as Mrs. Reeves commenced singing "Kathleen Mavourneen" a telegram was received at the theatre announcing the death of Sims Reeves. When the song was finished, and the applause was at its height the news of her husband's death was broken to Mrs. Reeves, but the audience ignorant of this behind scene tragedy, kept on demanding an encore. The widow was removed from the theatre on the verge of collapse.

THE BRITISH CABINET

London, Oct. 26.—The Standard, in a paragraph obviously inspired, announces that Lord Salisbury will retain the double office of prime minister and secretary of state for foreign affairs, and that Mr. Joseph Chamberlain will retain the portfolio of secretary of state for the colonies.

Fighting Gen. Dewet

British Lost Heavily in a Fight on Friday—Twenty-four Boers Killed.

Cavalrymen Ambushed by Force of Burghers—Forty-three Were Captured.

(Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 27.—A dispatch received at the war office from Lord Roberts, dated Pretoria, October 26th, referring to the fighting of General Barton's column with General Dewet's forces on October 25th, says:

"The British losses were heavier than at first reported, an additional officer and twelve men killed, and three officers and 25 men were wounded.

"The Boers left twenty-four dead and nineteen wounded on the field, and twenty-six Boers were made prisoners.

"Three Boers who held up their hands in token of surrender and then fired on the British were court-martialled, convicted and sentenced to death. I have confirmed the sentence."

The dispatch also refers to minor affairs in which the troops of Gen. Kit-

chener and Gen. Methuen were engaged and to a serious incident between Springfontein and Philippolis, Orange River Colony, where 50 cavalrymen were ambushed and captured by the Boers, only seven of the party escaping.

Another dispatch from Lord Roberts says: "Barton attacked the ubiquitous Dewet near Frederickstad. The Boers were scattered in all directions."

CONCESSIONS TO MINERS.

Another Company Has Posted Notice of Advance in Wages.

(Associated Press.)

Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 27.—Supt. Thos. Baird, of the Thomas Coal Co., posted notices this morning to the effect that his company had agreed to make the same concessions to the mine workers as the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co.

The Susquehanna Coal Co. colliery at Williams, Penn., is the only one in this vicinity whose notice has not been posted. The men employed there held a meeting last night, at which it was decided to remain on strike until the notices were posted or some other assurances given that they would receive the advance in wages.

Will Resume on Monday.

Shamokin, Pa., Oct. 27.—A committee representing 4,000 employees of the United Coal Company waited on Superintendent Wm. Blumhardt this morning and were assured that the ten per cent. increase will be granted and all grievances arbitrated. Work will be resumed next Monday.

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