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NEW YORK, May 26.—The Press publishes the following: Officers of the Cuban League have decided to attempt the raising of a fund of $1,000,000 in the United States, believing that this will enable the Cubans to establish their independence. The fund is to be raised in two ways—by donations and by the sale of gold bonds at 6 per cent., "payable ten years after the evacuation of Cuba by the Spanish troops."

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CROW'S NEST BARGAIN.

Three and a Half Millions for the C.P.R., Which Makes Liberal Reductions on Through Freights.

Road to Pentiction Also to Be Subsidized, and That to the Coast "in Due Course."

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, June 1.—It is said that the Crow's Nest Pass proposals to be submitted by the Government to the Liberal caucus to-morrow involve the payment of $8,500 per mile to the C.P.R., in return for which the company makes important concessions in regard to freight rates.

There is talk in the lobbies to-night of Parliament proroguing by the 19th to enable most of the members to celebrate the Jubilee at their own homes.

The house spent the whole day in committee on the tariff and at midnight the reciprocity clause was passed.

The Senate to-day passed an address to the Queen congratulating her on the jubilee. Sir Oliver Mowat and Sir Mackenzie Bowell made appropriate speeches. The Commons will pass the address to-morrow.

Premier Turner interviewed Mr. Laurier to-day on British Columbia matters.

D. C. Corbin, of British Columbia, wrote the special committee on the Maclean and Casey bills to protect railway employes, strongly approving the measures.

Norman Maclean thinks that, despite Mr. Heinze's opposition, the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern charter will be granted.

OTTAWA, June 2.—(Special)—At a Liberal caucus to-day there was a very large attendance of members and Senators. The principal question discussed was the building of the Crow's Nest Pass railway. Mr. Blair presented the arrangement which the government had entered into with the C.P.R. for the construction of 330 miles of this road from Lethbridge to the mining region at Rossland. The balance of the road through to Penticton will be given to an independent company. By this arrangement the C.P.R. Company will get a Dominion subsidy of $11,000 per mile. For this subsidy the Canadian Pacific have arranged to make very important concessions to the government. In the first place they give over the control of rates west of Fort William to the government. The railway company also make a cut of 20 per cent in a specified number of articles, such as, for instance, a cut of 1½ cents per bushel is made for this year, and 1½ cents more for next year, or 3 cents in all.

As to the arrangement for building the road westerly from Rossland, it was not discussed at length, but the policy of the government evidently is to give a similar subsidy as far as Penticton, and in the course of time to continue it to the Pacific coast.

While there were a number of Ontario and Western members in the first instance opposed to going on with the building of the road this year, thinking that nothing would be lost by another year's delay, still when they saw the large concessions made by the Canadian Pacific, the arrangement received their support, so that the legislation will be proceeded with this session and the work of construction of the road gone on with at once.

The government also takes control of 250,000 acres of the coal lands given as a land grant to the B. C. Southern. This coal land will be divided into blocks, and the government will have the first choice and the railway company second choice for each block.

It is understood that there will be a reduction of 20 per cent in the rates on coal oil, 10 per cent on agricultural implements, 33⅓ per cent on fruits, and a reasonable percentage upon binder twine, wire, boilers, nails, barbed wire, bags, belts, animals for breeding purposes, etc. All these reductions apply on through rates from the East. There will be no reductions on local rates.

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AGAINST ALIEN LABOR.

OTTAWA, June 1.—The alien labor bill was reported at a meeting of the committee to-day. It will apply only to the United States, and will only be enforced by the Attorney-General of the Dominion of Canada. The bill will come into force when passed, but, as already said, another clause provides that only the Attorney-General of the Dominion can enforce it. The clause holding it over to be put in force by proclamation was defeated, and Wood (Brockville) and others suggested that there would be a storm of opposition to the bill from the Americans now working in British Columbia.

The first clause makes it unlawful for any person or company to assist or encourage the importation of foreigners under contract. This was passed without amendment, and also the second clause, which declares such a contract null and void. A penalty of $1,000 is provided for violation of the act by any person or concern, and the power of prosecution is given to the Attorney-General for Canada, or his appointed agents. The master of any vessel who shall knowingly land from his vessel any alien laborers or mechanics under contract is liable to a fine of $500. Any foreigner temporarily residing in Canada is given power to bring in his own servant, private secretary, etc. Skilled workmen, such as cannot be obtained in Canada, may be brought in, as in the case of a new industry. Professional actors, artists, singers and persons employed as personal or domestic servants are exempted from its operation, and any individual may assist a member of his family, a relative or a personal friend to migrate from a foreign country for the purpose of settling here.

MANITOBA MATTERS.

WINNIPEG, June 1.—(Special)—The contingent of the Northwest Mounted Police selected as a portion of the Canadian Jubilee regiment passed through the city to-day en route to Quebec, from which port they sail on Saturday for England.

A large party of Winnipeg young men left here for the Yukon district this afternoon via Victoria. Among those going are Ald. Bannerman, D. H. Coates, Chris. Cornell, L. R. McKenzie, J. Jones, S. Taylor, J. E. Thompson, D. McMurray, J. McNabb, W. Campbell, A. McFarlane, Thos. Nixon, V. Lipsett, Chas. Garbatt, H. A. Tremayne, Geo. McLeod, H. Vass, Dr. Norquay, Messrs. Moore and Young of Selkirk, D. Ripstein, S. Ripstein and J. Baker.

Mrs. McDermott, of Battleford, has been placed under arrest there on suspicion of having assisted the death of her late husband by the administration of some drug of a poisoneus nature. McDermott has been dead over six months.

The Henley crew for the Henley regatta left here to-day and were given an enthusiastic send-off at the depot. They sail by the Vancouver on Saturday from Montreal. All the men are in excellent condition. The party is composed of J. C. G. Armytage, W. J. K. Osborne, E. E. Lloyd, C. L. Marks, and trainer D. J. Murphy. Capt. Galt may follow the crew later and be present to witness the race. Since Waters, of Troy, N.Y., wrote last week that he would be unable to alter the boat he built for the club and return it here in time for the departure of the crew, the club has been in telegraphic communication with the manufacturer with the result that yesterday a new boat was ordered to be built at once and follow the crew to England. The boat is to reach Henley by July 1.

The C. P. R. land sales for May, 1897, are nearly $30,000 greater than for May, 1896. There is every prospect of increasing sales during June. Cash payments have been much better than at any time previous.

An Ottawa special published here says the Canadian Pacific and the government have practically arrived at an understanding regarding the Crow's Nest Pass railway. Mr. Shaughnessy, in an interview, says the road will probably be completed in the fall of 1898.

WINNIPEG, June 2.—(Special)—A Prince Albert dispatch says: John, father of "Almighty Voice," came up for trial at Duck Lake to-day charged with being accessory before the fact in the case of the shooting of Venne, the Mounted Police interpreter. He was remanded.

The wife of a well known C.P.R. conductor has received word that, with several other relatives, she is heir to an estate valued at $4,000,000 in England.

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, June 2.—In both Senate and Commons to-day attention was drawn to the press comment on the unsoldierlike appearance of the Jubilee regiment. Sir Richard Cartwright said he had reports from the Adjutant-General that the regiment is efficient and creditable.

Mr. Laurier told Mr. McInnes that the time for the disallowance of the British Columbia Southern railway aid bill expires next month.

Dr. McInnes strongly advocated in the Senate to-day the establishment of a mint in Canada, but was eventually induced to withdraw his motion.

The Conservatives will banquet Sir Charles Tupper before prorogation. The senate to-night made it an indictable offence to import kinetoscope views of prize fights or newspapers to publish reports of such fights.

The Combines clause of the tariff was under discussion in the Commons all day. The Opposition submitted an amendment to leave the whole matter to the courts.

The Premier leaves for England via Montreal and New York to-morrow. Sir Richard Cartwright will be acting premier.

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TWO NATIONS PROTEST

Germany and Belgium Formally Claim Equal Trade Rights With Britain in Canada.

Mr. Chamberlain Tells of His Warning to Mr. Cecil Rhodes Against the Raid.

LONDON, June 1.—Replying in the House of Commons to-day to a question put by Sir Charles Howard Vincent, Conservative and Fair Trader, the Secretary of State for the Colonies said that Belgium and Germany had protested against British goods entering Canada at a lower tariff than applied to theirs. Mr. Chamberlain added that the law officers of the crown are now considering the matter.

THE TRANSVAAL RAID.

When the inquiry of the parliamentary committee into the Transvaal raid was resumed to-day Mr. Alfred Beit, a former director of the British South Africa Company, read a statement denying the charges of Mr. Henry Labouchere to the effect that he had "rigged the market," and offered the books of his firm to prove the truth of his denial. Lord Robert Cecil, counsel for Dr. Rutherford Harris, made application to the committee in behalf of his client, asking that Mr. Harris be re-examined on the subject of Mr. Labouchere's letter of Tuesday last, which, purporting to be an apology, in reality reiterated in a veiled form the charges made by Mr. Labouchere against Dr. Harris. The committee took the request under advisement.

Mr. Chamberlain testified that he was convinced Dr. Harris had not said to him that a force of the British Chartered South African troops would be on the border ready to assist the Uitlanders if a rising occurred at Johannesburg. Touching the raid itself, Mr. Chamberlain said the moment a suggestion of a raid was brought to his notice he cabled to Capetown telling Sir Hercules Robinson to warn Mr. Cecil Rhodes, who was then premier of Cape Colony. But, Mr. Chamberlain explained, nobody, however unfriendly, would believe that he had any fore-knowledge of the raid or of the preparations for the raid, in view of the fact that when suspicion was aroused he had not lost an instant in taking every possible means to defeat it.

THE SENATE TOO CURIOUS.

WASHINGTON, June 1—The Searles trial was resumed to-day, and Judge Bradley rendered his decision on the motion of the counsel for the defence to order an acquittal in the case of the Government against John E. Searles, secretary of the Sugar Trust, for recusancy before the Senate sugar investigating committee. Both Mr. Searles and Mr. Havemeyer were present. Judge Bradley sustained the motion of the defence and ordered the jury to return a verdict of acquittal. The jury accordingly returned a verdict of not guilty and Mr. Searles was set free. The cases of E. J. Edwards and John Scriver, the newspaper correspondents, were postponed until next Monday.

The judge pointed out that Mr. Searles had testified specifically that no money had been contributed by the sugar trust to the national campaign for the purpose of influencing legislation or the election of United States senators. Certainly, the judge said, a simple investigation as to whether the sugar trust had contributed to the campaign fund would be an unwarranted search into the private affairs of the company and plainly beyond the power of the Senate. If money had gone for the purpose of electing members of state legislatures, who in time would elect a U. S. senator, it was beyond the power of the United States Senate to go behind the election of legislative members. If this were true as to state matters, how much more so was it of local elections?

It appeared from the report of the committee that they were not in possession of any facts upon which they could base the most remote hope of showing an ultimate connection between the sugar trusts contributions and the sugar schedule. Under these circumstances it must be held that the questions asked were not pertinent that they were an unwarranted prying into the private affairs of the company, and therefore beyond the jurisdiction of the Senate; consequently the decision.

THE METAL SCHEDULE.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—The senate made greater progress on the tariff bill to-day than on any other day since the debate opened, completing more than half of the important metal schedule. The speaking was by the Democratic senators, the Republican senators taking no part in the debate, except at rare intervals to answer questions which would expedite the advance of the bill. Messrs. Jones (Arkansas) and Vest urged numerous amendments embodying in the main the Wilson rates, but these were rejected with only one exception. This exception related to anvils, on which Mr. Vest secured a reduction of the committee rate from 2 to 1¾ cents per pound. It was the first change made without the assent of the committee, and it was due merely to the listless manner of many senators in voting.

During the consideration of the cutlery paragraphs the first one, relating to pen knives, pocket knives, razors, scissors, etc., was contested, Mr. Vest offering a substitute embodying the rates of the present law. A letter read by Mr. Vest stated that the writer had shipped three hundred dozen knives to Sheffield, showing that American cutlery is invading the great English cutlery centre. Mr. Vest's substitute was defeated.

MR. HUDDART'S WORK.

The "Times" Thinks It Has Not Been Properly Recognized in the Steamship Contract.

His Personal Energy and Enterprise Have Made the Fast Service Practicable.

LONDON, June 3.—The Times this morning in an article discussing Canadian affairs says:—"Canada stands midway upon an imperial high road, the opportunity of which enables her to regard with relative indifference the fence erected along her southern frontier. The longer that fence is maintained in its present position the more assured will be the connection between the Dominion and the mother country, the connection we have now had ample proof that both the Canadian parties are desirous of maintaining."

Referring to the fact that Patterson, Tait & Co., the Newcastle shipbuilders, have secured the contract for the fast Canadian service instead of the Allan Line steamship company, the Times says: "Perhaps in this connection proper consideration has not been given to the services of Mr. J. E. Huddart, promoter of the Canadian-Australian Steamship Company. To his personal energy and labor it is largely due that difficulties apparently insuperable have been overcome, and the adoption of the scheme of his inception has been made practicable. The public, which profits from these services, should gratefully recognized them and him."

A SLAP IN THE FACE.

MADRID, June 2.—The Premier, Senor Canovas del Castillo, has tendered to the Queen Regent the resignation of the cabinet owing to the difficulty the ministers experience in carrying on the government in view of the parliamentary situation caused by the refusal of the Liberals to take part in the deliberations of the Cortes. This attitude of the Liberals is due to the personal encounter between the Duke of Tetuan, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Professor Gonau, a Liberal Senator, on May 21, when the Duke slapped the face of the Senator after a heated debate on the Morgan belligerency resolution adopted by the United States Senate. The Queen Regent will hold a cabinet council to-morrow.

LONDON, June 3.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times says: "The Queen Regent has accepted the resignation of the cabinet of Senor Canovas del Castillo. It has caused profound sensation. Before finally taking this step Her Majesty begged Senor Canovas to remain in office until to-morrow in order that she might have another opportunity to consider the matter in council, but this only meant that the resignation would be accepted. Senor Canovas tendered his resignation because he could not again undertake to re-establish relations with the Liberals. He preferred to leave the Crown full liberty to decide as to the best solution.

QUEBEC PROVINCE.

MONTREAL, June 2.—(Special)—The new Liberal government of Quebec is following the example of the Ottawa government and the axe is to be wielded vigorously. The first victim is Mr. Chapman, an English-speaking employe of the Attorney-General's office. Chapman is a writer of some note, and his sin, it seems, is that he wrote an article in the Avant Garde. It is said that the Liberals will make a clean sweep in the civil service.

It is stated that Mgr. Merry del Val has received word from the Vatican that His Excellency, as already reported, had been delegated to represent His Holiness the Pope at the Queen's Jubilee celebration in London, and that in consequence of this Mgr. Merry del Val will have to postpone his visit to Manitoba and return to Europe without delay.

The "Baroness" Von Turkheim is being closely guarded by detectives as rumors have been circulated of an attempt to be made to kidnap her on her way to San Francisco, whither she is going to give evidence in the celebrated Fair will case.

QUESTIONS FOR THE PEOPLE.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Senator Pettigrew to-day introduced a bill to provide for the submission to a popular vote at the congressional election of 1898 of the following questions:

"Shall congress at once enact a law providing for the immediate free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1?"

"Shall the constitution of the United States be so amended as to provide for the election of United States senators and the President and Vice-President by direct vote of the people?"

It is made the duty of the secretary of each state to forward the result of the vote to the President, who is required to transmit the statement to congress.

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TURKEY AND GREECE.

LONDON, June 1.—The exact position as to the armistice negotiations is not yet clear. During the councils of ministers at Yildiz Kiosk the peace conditions have certainly been discussed, but all mention of Thessaly is studiously avoided. The assumption seems to be that Thessaly belongs to Turkey by conquest and that there is nothing more to be said on the subject. The powers will have to show a united and very energetic front before the Sultan will recede from this position. In the meantime, in order to remove the impression that she rejects all the peace proposals, Greece has sent another note to her representatives abroad repeating that she is prepared to acquiesce in the decisions of the powers, but that the payment of a large indemnity is impossible.

Edhem Pasha having sent the aide-de-camp whom the Sultan appointed to watch him back to Constantinople under escort as a spy, the officer was forthwith promoted by the Sultan.

A special to the Times from Constantinople says there is strong reason for believing that Bulgaria is exerting an influence to induce the Sultan to transform Macedonia into an autonomous province under an imperial Prince.

CANEA, Crete, June 1.—Last night the insurgents furiously attacked Hierapetra. The French and Italian warships bombarded the positions of the assailants, causing considerable loss to the insurgents.

ATHENS, June 2.—It is expected that representatives of the two armies will meet to-day (Wednesday) to sign an extension of the armistice.

TURKS KEEP POSSESSION.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 2.—Edhem Pasha has given all merchants fifteen days in which to withdraw their goods from the custom house at Volo. At the expiration of that time all goods remaining in the custom house will be confiscated by the Turkish authorities.

LONDON, June 3.—The Turks have promised to sign the extension of an armistice at dawn to-day, and it is expected that peace negotiations will begin promptly at Constantinople.

CANEA, Island of Crete, June 2.—Hadji Michilis, as chief of the Cretan insurgents, has issued a proclamation calling upon the Cretans to elect a general assembly to resume their ordinary every day relations, and to respect the lives and property of the Mussulmans.

THE MINING CONVENTION.

RAT PORTAGE, June 2.—(Special)—The Western Ontario mining convention was called to order this afternoon. There is a large gathering of prominent mining men from all parts of the continent. After an address of welcome by the Mayor and the President of the convention speeches were given by leading men of Duluth, Colorado and San Francisco, in which Canada's gold fields were declared to be the most promising in the world. The reduction works have been thrown open to visitors during convention week.

SEATTLE, May 30.—W. H. Remington, one of the leading smelter men of Salt Lake, is now at the Butler. He was met by Mr. Selover, and was called upon by Mayor Wood, who arranged for a meeting with the committee of mining men which has charge of the enterprise. Mr. Remington was not prepared to go into particulars in regard to the plans of the syndicate of which he is a member, as he wishes first to study the situation here and to confer with the committee mentioned. All he was prepared to say was: "I have landed here in response to several telegrams for the purpose of hearing a proposition looking to the location of a smelter and refining plant at this point, instead of in British Columbia."

BUFFALO, N.Y., June 1.—An appeal has been taken to the U. S. Supreme court in the case of Mrs. Olive Sternman, accused of poisoning her husband for his life insurance. Attorney Wallace Thayer will ask the Supreme court to set aside that order for extradition, and it is probable that Mrs. Sternman will remain in the Erie county jail for some time.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Heavy frosts occurred during the past two mornings over the greater part of the Northwest. Snow and freezing weather is reported from Northern Wisconsin and Minnesota, with much damage to vegetables and small fruits. In Wisconsin the strawberry crop may be a total loss. Tobacco in Southern Wisconsin is reported to be slightly injured, and in Northern Illinois badly damaged. Corn in Northern and North Central Illinois is reported to be cut down by the frost. Ice formed at many points in this section. Potatoes have been killed at some points, and must be replanted. Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana also report much injury by frost.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Adolph Luetgert, the rich sausage maker charged with the murder of his wife, whom he is said to have boiled down in a vat, was held for the grand jury to-day without bail. The examining magistrate said there was strong circumstantial evidence that a crime had been committed, and it pointed to the conclusion that defendant was guilty of the crime with which he was charged.

KEY WEST, Fla., June 1.—The U.S. cruiser Marblehead returned at noon to-day with the tug Dauntless in tow, charged with filibustering. The tug was turned over to the customs officers. About twenty-five Cubans were found on the Dauntless. Very little ammunition was found aboard the tug, and report has it that the crew threw the cargo overboard.

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Yachting Fleet in Commission—Wheeling Races Projected for Summer Evenings.

EPSOM DOWNS, June 2.—The Derby of 1897 was won to-day by Mr. J. Gubbins' brown colt Galteemore, by Kendall, out of Morganette. After the usual parade the flag fell at 3:16 p.m. to a capital start. Prime Minister was first away, followed by Monterey, Allgoe, Oakdene and History, with Galteemore, Frisson and St. Cloud II at the whippers. In passing Sherwood Prime Minister was joined by Oakdene, who shortly afterwards took the lead with Galteemore third. On entering the straight Oakdene drew clear followed by Galteemore, Velasquez and History, and the quartette far in front of the field. In crossing the road Galteemore easily took the lead, and a quarter mile from the finish seemed to be sailing home alone, but Velasquez continued to gain and soon closed on Galteemore. A shout arose that Galteemore was beaten, but the Irish colt was far from that. Galteemore responded splendidly, drew out in inimitable style, and won very easily. St. Cloud II was fifth and Frisson was last.

Before the race the paddock was more crowded than usual. The gaily colored turbins of the Indian visitors gave brilliancy to an otherwise somewhat depressing scene. During the race there was little excitement, but when the horses returned to weigh in, and Mr. Gubbins led his horse into the crowd, he was lustily cheered. Wood, Galteemore's jockey, also came in for a hearty reception.

Galteemore is the first horse bred in Ireland and owned by an Irishman which has won the Derby, and the merits of the colt can be better appreciated when it is remembered that Galteemore won the Newmarket stakes of two thousand guineas this year. In that event as today Lord Rosebery's Velasquez ran second to Galteemore.

Betting before the start was four to one on Galteemore, ten to one against Velasquez and twenty-five to one against History. Galteemore had been predicted a sure winner for some weeks previous to the race, although there were those who thought that the jockey Charles Wood's nine years' absence from the turf, he not having a mount in that time, would count against him. But Woods showed that he was just as fit as when he won on St. Blaine in 1883.

It was predicted that the crowd which would be present at the Jubilee Derby, as the race for this year was termed, would eclipse all records in point of numbers, but the expectations were not realized. The weather was not of a kind to attract large crowds of people to the race course. The sky was dull and threatening, the atmosphere heavy and damp.

YACHTING.

Last night—by the launching of the Volage, Commodore Kirk's flagship—saw the last of the "A" class yachts afloat belonging to the Victoria Yacht Club. The Volage has had a long rest in Watson's yard, and for this season will be commanded by Capt. Charles E. Clarke. Victoria is now represented in "A" class (i.e. 6-rating and over) by four vessels—the Ariadne, Volage, Jubilee and Xora.

On Tuesday evening last was also successfully launched Mr. F. Morrall's new 1-rater, the Allie, modeled after W. P. Stephen's famous Scarecrow, well known to readers of Forest and Stream; this little yacht will also sail under the Victoria Yacht Club flag. There are now in the club twenty yachts, whose total cost will reach over $20,000, the total number of yachts now on the role, little and big, being 31, and the members having reason to believe that they now have the strongest club in the Northwest.

THE WHEEL.

The Victoria wheelmen at a special general meeting yesterday evening delegated their track and grounds committee to wait upon the management of the tramway company, owners of the track at Oak Bay, to see what can be done in the direction of lighting those grounds so that evening meets can be held during the present season. The night racing has quite superseded afternoon meets in the cities of California and even in Seattle, and if the lights can be secured in time for Jubilee week the races then to be given by the local club cannot but prove among the most attractive features of the celebration.