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CAR FERRY SERVICE... THE EDITOR:—The comments made in your issue of Monday night regarding the council, re my letter to you, if carefully read, condemn utterances. I certainly take exception to the following remarks in your paper of yesterday, in which you evidently led into a slight error, in the case of the Vancouver, Victoria and British Columbia Railway charter, you say, charter of the company provides for the construction of a line to English Bay. As the words "English Bay" appear in the charter, and no assurance that any line will ever be built by the Vancouver, Victoria and British Columbia Railway (English Bay) than Vancouver or New Westminster cities, and as Victoria is mentioned as one of the terminals, while both the mainland and the island are, I fail to see wherein the hold the charter were given a right to the word Victoria, intending, as I fully do, to ignore this city altogether (if allowed to do so), do not the government in the matter and convinced that they will not allow to have a dollar until it is paid in full, and that the three cities—Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster—stand in every particular on an equal footing. Victoria needs a trans-fer service from the mainland to the mainland, which is English Bay, and if the government grant any without such a stipulation being clearly understood, they will suffer in their duty.

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SHERMAN AND LAURIER

Opening of the Conference for Settling Issues Between United States and Canada.

Ottawa Denies That Mr. Chamberlain is Uneasy—Arguments for Sealing Prohibition.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Secretary of State and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, minister of Canada, this afternoon began the first of the formal series of conferences for the purpose of bringing about agreement by which as many as possible of the questions now causing friction between the United States and the Dominion of Canada may be amicably settled by treaty or otherwise. The conference will be independent of the long sea seal fisheries conference, which was the immediate cause of the Canadian premier's visit to Washington. Among the causes of friction between the two countries is the question of the rights of citizens to pursue business callings in the territory of the other, and the tariff question.

The conference this afternoon was brought about by a note which Secretary Sherman this morning sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, asking him if it would be convenient for the latter to meet the secretary this afternoon. The Canadian premier responding in the affirmative, the conference was accordingly begun at 2:30 p.m. in the state department.

President McKinley will give a dinner at the executive mansion to-night to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, and Lady Laurier. Sir Louis Davies, minister of marine of Canada, and Lady Davies and the officials taking part in the Behring sea negotiations. This will be the first of several notable social events in honor of the visitors. Tomorrow night Secretary Sherman will entertain Sir Wilfrid and his associates at dinner, and on Saturday night they will be the guests of General Foster.

Officials of the agricultural department are somewhat concerned over the visit of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in view of the concessions which it is considered probable he will ask under the reciprocity provision of the tariff law. They are apprehensive that the Canadian Premier will direct attention particularly to securing reductions in the tariff rates on Canada's agricultural products shipped to this country, and are inclined to anticipate any concessions upon these lines. It is expected that concessions will be asked, especially on barley, but the department officials hold that this country is capable of producing its own barley and hence the farmers do not want a reduced tariff on this article. The opinion is expressed in the department that it would be well for the United States to confine reciprocity relations with Canada largely to fish and coal.

Mr. Sherman and Sir Wilfrid were together for two hours. It can be stated on authority that the discussion was devoted to the consideration of the most important questions affecting the general relations between the United States and Canada. In this connection the Secretary of State and Canadian Premier found themselves in much accord. Mr. Sherman has long favored the most cordial relations between the United States and Canada, having been while in the senate, author of several resolutions in that direction.

It was realized on both hands that the discussion now opened was not one that could bring immediate results, as many of the border controversies are of long standing and many practical difficulties are in the way of their settlement. The purpose, however, was to approach the general discussion of the subject in a spirit of friendliness and allow time to develop ways and means by which the money obtained from the payment of the debts of the Union, Central and Kansas Pacific railroads, the fund to be applied to the construction of the Nicaragua canal. The government is also to establish a patrol of the Yukon river, and to station two additional artillery regiments at San Francisco.

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BLANCO'S HUMANE POLICY... Spanish Soldiers Will Benefit Through Relief From Unnecessary Hardships.

MADRID, Nov. 11.—A decree granting autonomy to Cuba will be formally gazetted on November 23.

HAVANA, Nov. 11.—Marshall Blanco has abrogated the orders of his predecessor as the destruction of the fields and hints of the insurgents. He has also cancelled the prohibitions by which the Spanish soldiers have been prevented from camping in the towns. The new orders direct that the soldiers shall be provided with blankets and waterproof coats, and when in camp they shall always be sheltered as far as possible from the rains. No fewer than 33,000 sick soldiers are now in the hospitals of the island. To-day the mail steamer Isla Espana, which left Havana for Spain, carried 48 officers and five hundred soldiers.

BLANCO'S HUGE CONTRACT... He Undertakes to Protect Industries Throughout All Cuba.

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A NEVADA SENSATION

Carson, Nev. Nov. 9.—The entire state has been startled and shocked to the killing late this afternoon of Charles A. Jones, United States district attorney, by Julian Guinan, 16-year-old son of well-known local physician. The prominence of the case, attendant circumstances and suddenness of the tragedy, make it one of the most sensational happenings in the history of Nevada.

Mr. Jones' death was caused by a bullet wound in the head, and for a time mystery surrounded every circumstance connected with the killing. At first it was supposed that Jones had committed suicide, but later young Guinan surrendered himself to the sheriff's office, and confessed to the killing. The statement of the youth is that immediately prior to the shooting he had observed his sister talking to Jones, and that she had forbidden association, when he saw Dr. Guinan approaching. Believing "trouble" to be inevitable when the two men met in conversation upon the Winchester rifle and stationed himself at a window for the purpose, as he says, of protecting his father. Upon encountering Jones, Dr. Guinan said to him: "This is the last time I shall ever warn you against keeping company with my daughter." Jones jeered at the remark, and slipped his hand into his right-hand pocket.

Julian states that having often heard his father threaten to kill Jones, and having been informed that the district attorney always carried a revolver, which he believed, from Jones' motion, was about to be drawn, he fired at Jones in anticipation of an attack upon his father. Jones fell forward dead, the bullet from the rifle having entered above his right eye and passed out of the neck behind. Miss Guinan, seeing Jones fall, threw herself upon him and embraced the dead body.

When the coroner took charge of the remains Jones' hand was in his pocket, but no weapon was found. Jones was about 33 years old, was married, and left a widow and a child at his home in Reno, where he came this morning on official business. He was necessary at Carson much of the time, and while here his attentions to Miss Guinan occasioned some gossip among the town. He was aggravated into making a threat against Jones. Jones had served as district attorney during one of the most stormy periods of the history of Nevada, and had been twice elected to that office. He was a notable figure in the prosecution and conviction of those concerned in the notorious robbery case at the United States mint.

BANK OF ENGLAND... Business of the Week as Shown by the Usual Statement.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes compared with previous account: Total reserve increased £224,000; circulation decreased £206,000; present £18,377; other securities decreased £213,000; public deposits decreased £294,000; notes reserve increased £275,000; notes reserve increased £138,000; notes reserve decreased £137,000. The Bank of England's rate of discount remains unchanged at 3 per cent.

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TO BARTER THE SEALS

Report That Canadian Rights May Be Swapped for Atlantic Fishery Agreement.

First Propositions of Both Parties Formally Submitted and Taken Into Consideration.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—During today's Behring sea conference a series of propositions were presented by the American representatives covering the number and habits of the seals and the extent to which the seal herd had been reduced during the five years in which the Paris award has been in operation. In turn, the British-Canadian representatives presented counter propositions covering their view of the same subject. These propositions differed considerably, but were not so wide apart as to lead to the belief that they could not be reconciled. It was felt, however, that the two sets of propositions might be compared. Later in the day the British-Canadian delegates submitted some further amendments to the American propositions. It is expected that when the session is resumed to-morrow the experts will be able to reach a common understanding.

The propositions do not embody any diplomatic features, but are solely scientific as to the number, habits and destruction of the seal. After the experts have reconciled their propositions, the diplomats will begin to consider the larger subjects of providing an adequate remedy against seal destruction. It is not expected, however, that this stage will be reached before next week, and the first plan of concluding the meeting this week has been given up.

It is stated on good authority that the Canadians will ask a counter concession from the United States in the way of a guarantee for the protection of the northern fisheries in return for any alteration of the sealing regulations to which they may give their consent. They take the position that the fish along the Canadian and Newfoundland coasts are as much the property of Canada as are the seals on the Pribiloff islands the property of the United States, and contend that they have as much right to make demands for the protection of the fish against American fishermen as the American government has to ask the Canadians to agree to further restrictions in the matter of killing the seals. The specific complaint is that while Canadian laws prohibit fishing except within certain seasons the American laws do not impose corresponding conditions, and that while the taking of fish can be prohibited during the closed seasons within their territory, it cannot be done outside these boundaries. Many of the seals which properly belong within Canadian waters are thus picked up out of season by American fishermen.

TALKING RECIPROcity... The President and Cabinet Informally Meet the Canadian Ministers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Definite arrangements have been made for taking up the subject of reciprocity treaty between the United States and Canada, and to this end meetings have been fixed between Hon. John A. Kasson, who is specially delegated by President McKinley to conduct the reciprocity negotiations, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, and Sir Louis Davies, minister of marine. This is the result of the long and friendly conference held yesterday between Secretary Sherman and Sir Wilfrid. The meeting will be held during the present visit of the Canadian officials, but no exact time for it has yet been fixed. It is not expected that the reciprocity treaty can be matured during the present treaty of the Canadian officials, the desire being to arrive at some common understanding at the present time, and then perfect details later.

The dinner at the White House last night assisted toward a friendly settlement of pending questions. At its conclusion the guests accompanied the President and his cabinet officers to the blue room, where a wholly informal exchange of views occurred. The general sentiment prevailed that the present time was opportune for more cordial intercourse between the United States and Canada.

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THE BRAZILIAN DISORDERS. Parliamentary Opposition Charged With Knowledge of the Plot Against the President. NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—A dispatch to the Herald from Rio Janeiro says: Senator Viera, one of the government's supporters in the Brazilian senate, declared in open session of that body that the opposition had predicted the death of President Moraes before November 9. This statement, taken in connection with the alleged plot which led to the recent attempt to kill the president, has caused a sensation.

PROTECTING SUGAR ESTATES. New Spanish Commander Seeks to Restore Crippled Industry. HAVANA, Nov. 10.—Captain General Blanco has issued a circular to the Spanish military commanders in the different provinces of Cuba, instructing them to favor the owners of sugar estates by all means in their power, and to encourage those who may be less disposed than others to grind their cane. The captain general is desirous that sugar cane grinding should proceed on a large scale.

THE COAL TRUST. The Attack Upon Officials Must Be Commenced Over Again. ALBANY, N.Y., Nov. 10.—The appellate division of the supreme court to-day agreed with Judge Chester in vacating the order compelling the coal trust pres-

BATTLESHIP IN DISTRESS. A British Warrior Badly Injured in a Gale and Assistance Called For. CANEA, Nov. 11.—The first-class British battleship Empress of India has met with a serious accident in a gale which prevailed here. Her rudder was broken by a heavy sea and her hull was seriously damaged. Her stern compartments are full of water. She has run for shelter under the lee of St. Andrea island, off the town of Candia. The battleship Royal Sovereign has gone to her assistance.

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