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THE COLONIAL PREMIERS

CITIZENS' ALLIANCE

3000 BONFIRES LIT UP

Conference Opened in the Colonial Office Yesterday—Chamberlain Cordially Welcomed Premier Laurier—Preferential Tariff Desired.

MONTREAL, June 30.—The Star's London cable says: The colonial conference opened at the colonial office today. Chamberlain cordially welcomed Laurier and other premiers, and expressed the earnest hope that the gathering would form a landmark along the imperial road.

Among the colonial ministers themselves the hope of anything in the nature of a customs union has been dampened by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's open attitude of hostility.

Pending the complete and definite statement of British ministerial views the Canadian ministers adhere to the belief that preferential tariff throughout the empire would be desirable to the interests of Great Britain as well as the rest of the empire.

The Australian ministers are sympathetic, though they admit that the revenue necessities of the new Australian federation would place great difficulties in the way of immediate and substantial reduction of duties on British imports. Australia certainly could not satisfy Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's idea of free trade within the empire.

Flelding, Mulock and Paterson, the Canadian ministers, will not attend the colonial conference unless called in to consult on specific points. The conference is confined to the premiers. The other Canadian ministers are arranging for a conference at the close of the premiers' conference on trade, postal and similar intercolonial questions.

Seeing the king's progress has been so favorable the Canadian arch was magnificently illuminated tonight. There was also a searchlight in operation. The Queen's Own Bugle band playing on the arch forms one of the central attractions. All London is there tonight.

Offers Reward of \$5,000 for Persons Convicted of Boycotting, Hanging Effigies and Other Criminal Acts.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., June 30.—The Citizens' Alliance of Wilkesbarre offers rewards aggregating \$5000 for the arrest and conviction of all persons engaged in boycotting, hanging effigies and other criminal acts of intimidation prejudicial to the rights of American freedom. A reward of \$1000 is offered for the arrest and conviction of anyone entering into a conspiracy to boycott any individual, firm or corporation. At the strike headquarters it is claimed that the offering of such large rewards will cause irresponsible detectives to arrest innocent people in the hope of securing the rewards.

National Board Member John Fallon, who is in charge of Mr. Mitchell's headquarters during his absence, stated tonight that he had information from the Lehigh region to the effect that several small companies in the vicinity of Hazleton had posted notices today requesting their employes to apply for their old positions at once lest they should be given to new hands.

The district officers of the United Mine Workers in Hazleton assure Mr. Fallon that the ranks of the strikers are as firm as ever, and that none of the employes of Pardee & Co. or any other coal company will pay any attention to the notices posted.

General Feeling of Relief—The King's Continued Improvement—Arrangements for King Edward's Dinner to the Poor July the Fifth

LONDON, June 30.—In view of the king's continued improvement no further bulletin will be issued tonight.

London was not officially illuminated. It had been hoped that the Mansion House, the Bank of England and Marlborough House would join in the celebration, all the illuminating stands being intact, but none of the official illuminations were lit up. The display in London in this line was confined to the theatres, the hotels and the business houses on The Strand, Fleet street and other thoroughfares. There was a quiet celebration at Spitehead today when the nearest approach to a review of the great fleet there was seen in the trip of several transports loaded with volunteers and colonial troops and a number of distinguished persons who inspected the empire's "first line of defence."

The arrangements for King Edward's dinner to the poor of London to be held July 5th are being rapidly completed.

CASES HEARD AND DECIDED BY MR. BLAIR

(Special to the Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., June 30.—An Ottawa special says that Blair heard today three cases from British Columbia against the railway companies for failure for making certain statistical returns. They were brought by Charles W. Neil, hotel porter, of Victoria. Neil brought a claim against the Nelson Electric Co. for a half million dollars. At the last session a bill was put through parliament to remit penalties of this kind. The application to Blair today was made for remission and the minister recommended that all penalties in this case be remitted, except \$100 and a tax of costs of plaintiff Neil.

In the case of the Lenora Tramway Company penalties asked were for \$80,000. Blair gave \$50 and costs, if any, taxable.

In the case of the British Columbia Electric Railway Co., between Vancouver and New Westminster, about \$2,000,000 were asked. Blair reserved his decision in this case. He may give about \$500.

The revenue of the Dominion for the year ending today is \$32,062,729, compared with \$29,129,818 for last year. Under order-in-council in September last provision was made that when a miner, in person, produced to the manager of the provincial government assay office at Victoria a certificate that royalty had been paid on gold which accompanied such certificate, a refund would be made to him of 1 per cent of the value of the gold when assayed. In view of the fact that royalty on gold mined in Yukon Territory has been reduced from 5 per cent to 2 1/2 per cent the refund of 1 per cent has, by order-in-council dated 28th June, been abolished. This also applies to the Vancouver case.

SENATOR BAILEY VS. SENATOR BEVERIDGE

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Senator Bailey of Texas assaulted Senator Beveridge of Indiana tonight just after the senate had adjourned from executive session. The affair was the result of a bitter controversy which the two senators had during the afternoon.

Mr. Beveridge declined to withdraw from the chamber unless Mr. Bailey first withdrew his language in respect to Solicitor Penfield, although he disclaimed any intention of insulting Mr. Bailey. The trouble grew out of a resolution offered by Mr. Bailey calling for the papers in a Mexican mining case, in which he maintained Dr. Scott had been unfairly treated, not only by the Mexican courts, but also by the American ambassador, Mr. Clayton, and the officials of the state department. Mr. Beveridge declared Ambassador Clayton was either incompetent or dishonest, and his remarks led to some tart rejoinders.

AMERICAN-RUSSIAN DISPUTE.

The Testimony was Not Finished Before the Arbitrator.

THE HAGUE, June 30.—Contrary to expectations the taking of testimony of the American-Russian sealing dispute before Dr. Asser, the Dutch jurist-consultant, and member of the permanent arbitration court here, as arbitrator, was not finished this afternoon, although the sitting of court was prolonged until 6 o'clock. Several of the American experts who testified before the court were not acquainted with the French testimony; this had, consequently, to be carefully translated, which consumed much time. A short sitting will be held tomorrow afternoon, after which the court will adjourn until July 4.

The findings of the court will not be published immediately. The arbitrator has six months in which to reach a decision.

HIGH APPOINTMENT.

Emperor William Has Appointed Captain Von Usedom to Command.

BERLIN, June 30.—Emperor William has appointed Captain von Usedom to the command of the imperial yacht Hohenzollern in succession to Admiral von Bandtsin, who commanded the yacht on her recent trip to the United States. Count von Bandtsin has been appointed second in command of the cruising squadron, which will put to sea the middle of August.

Captain von Usedom was commander of the German contingent under Admiral Seymour in the first attempt to relieve the foreign legations at Peking the summer of 1900. For his services on this expedition Captain von Usedom received an appointment as adjutant to the emperor, which he still holds.

SHIPPING CONGRESS.

Frederick William's Breast Was Filled With Pride.

DUSELDORF, Rhenish Prussia, June 30.—The international shipping congress was opened here today. In the course of an address the crown prince, Frederick William, who is a patron of the congress, said it filled him with pride to be permitted to be a patron of so considerable and important a gathering.

WINNIPEG IN THE THROES.

Strike on the Canada Northern Railway—Over 1000 Men Out.

WINNIPEG, June 30.—About 1000 men employed on the Canada Northern railway, and members of the United Brethren of Railway Employees, went out on strike this evening, owing to the refusal of the company to receive a committee of the brotherhood to recognize the schedules for revision of wages presented. The machinists of the railway have been out nearly six weeks, and today's walkout is the result of the non-settlement of their strike. The classes of workers affected are freight clerks, freight handlers, trackmen, switchmen, stationery engineers and pattern makers, car men, including every department, washout men, engine watchmen, coal heavers, wipers and washout helpers, bridge and building department men. The engineers and firemen may join the strikers tomorrow. The strike extends over the whole system of the Canada Northern road from Port Arthur westward.

YESTERDAY AT GRAND FORKS.

Many Visitors in Town—Bugler Shillock Won Nursery Match.

(Special to The Miner.)

GRAND FORKS, B. C., June 30.—The first day of the three days' celebration passed off successfully. Incoming trains brought many visitors. The rifle matches at the new range were participated in by the Rocky Mountain Rangers from Rossland and Nelson and the local civilian team. The only match concluded was the nursery match, which was won by Bugler Shillock of Rossland. T. Alfred Kenyon of Grand Forks was second. The horse races began tomorrow.

FISHING SCHOONER BACK.

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., June 30.—The schooner Nellie Thurston, after a four months' cruise for halibut, is back to Nanaimo with 75 tons.

THE SMELTER TRUST.

DENVER, Colo., June 30.—Proceedings on behalf of the state of Colorado to dissolve the smelter trust were started in the state supreme court this afternoon.

AN INCENDIARY FIRE AT KAMLOOPS

KAMLOOPS, B. C., June 30.—About 12 o'clock last night fire broke out in the old J. A. Mara store, next door to the Cosmopolitan hotel, and which has been unoccupied for some years. When the alarm was turned in the whole floor of Mara's late store was ablaze and was quickly setting fire to the Cosmopolitan hotel. It burned fiercely and was assisted in its work of destruction by a heavy wind, which fortunately blew across the river. Had the wind been blowing either east or west, as it usually does here, Kamloops would have had a very large fire. The following buildings are total losses: Cosmopolitan hotel, insured in the Guardian and Scottish Union for \$1500 each. This property is owned by J. T. Edwards, and is one of the old landmarks of Kamloops. Next came Mara's late store, upon which there appears to have been no insurance. A dwelling owned by H. C. M. Ridley, next to this store, was insured in the Phoenix for \$500. Next to this was an old log building which was, in former days, used as a provincial government office and jail. The estimated total loss is about \$8000.

A guest of the Cosmopolitan hotel, named Wm. Bastow, a young Englishman, lost his life in the fire, as it burned with such rapidity that he was unable to escape, or slept too soundly. The fire seemed to be the work of an incendiary. An inquest will be held tomorrow to investigate.

THE INDIAN PLAY OF HIAWATHA BEGINS

MONTREAL, June 30.—A dispatch from Desbarats says that Hiawatha Lodge at Kensington Point opens for guests tomorrow. It is at this place that the Indian play of Hiawatha is annually presented. This year the production commences on July 10, and is given daily, except Sundays, to August 31st. In previous years this novel and picturesque play has attracted large audiences, and this year it is expected that there will be an unusually large number of visitors.

RICHARD WAGNER.

Proposed National Monument in Honor of the Great Composer.

BERLIN, June 30.—A committee has been organized at Leipzig to build a national monument to Richard Wagner, and Frau Cosima Wagner, the composer's widow, has assumed partial control of the movement. Some newspapers speak sarcastically of a national monument to Wagner and under the auspices of his widow, who prevents the performance of "Parsifal" anywhere in Germany except at Bayreuth. Other papers deny the right of Leipzig's claim for a national monument to Wagner merely because he was born there.

GENERAL CRONJE.

Has Taken Oath of Allegiance—Many Following His Example.

JAMESTOWN, Island of St. Helena, June 30.—General Cronje, the Boer commander, who, with his army, was captured by Lord Roberts at Paardeburg, Orange Free State, in February, 1900, has taken the oath of allegiance to King Edward. Many of the remaining prisoners are following his example.

METAL MARKETS.

LONDON, June 30.—Lead 21s. 6d. NEW YORK, June 30.—Bar silver 52 5-8. Copper dull. Lead quiet, 4 1-8.

MISS JONES OF NEVADA.

Won the Woman's Tennis Championship for United States.

PHILADELPHIA, June 30.—Miss Marian Jones of Nevada won the woman's tennis championship of the United States tonight from Miss Elizabeth Moore by default. Miss Moore was taken sick on Saturday while playing her second set with Miss Jones, and the play was postponed until today. Miss Moore's indisposition proved more serious than anticipated, and she was unable to conclude the game. Miss Jones was thereupon declared champion.

COLONEL PELLATT.

Went to London as Commander of the Contingent, But Was Slighted.

TORONTO, June 30.—The Evening Telegram's London cable says: Everyone understood that Colonel Pellatt came to London as commander of the contingent, but he was slighted in the plans of the war office for the procession, and had the event taken place it was the intention to give the command to Col. Turner of Quebec. The carrying out of this plan would have caused every Toronto member of the contingent to remain in camp.

FIRE IN NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX, N. S., June 30.—The Nova Scotia Pulp Company's mill at Mill Village was destroyed by fire today. Loss, \$40,000, insurance \$7500.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB'S TOURNAMENT

LONDON, June 30.—A large company assembled at the National Sporting Club tonight to witness the boxing contest held in connection with the coronation sporting tournament between Harvard and Yale students and English amateurs. All the professional fighters who took part in the contests held last week were present tonight, and in some cases they acted as attendants for the American victors. The amateur bouts resulted in victories for the Englishmen, but the Americans gave remarkable displays of gameness. The first contest was between heavyweights. Dodge of Harvard was considerably smaller than his opponent, F. Parks, of the Polytechnic Boxing Club, who is the amateur heavyweight champion.

In the course of the second round of the heavyweight contest both men landed a number of heavy blows. Dodge was the first to weaken, but he fought a resolute third round and at times looked decidedly dangerous. Parks, however, got the verdict on points and Dodge was vociferously applauded for his stand. In the middleweights contest Wencke of Yale met Warner of the Lynn Boxing Club, who is amateur middleweight champion. The American had all the advantage of the rapid exchanges at the opening, but eventually Warner acted on the defensive and by the aid of a numbing facial hits he got a lead which helped him to win comfortably. The contest was remarkable for the good feeling shown by both boxers.

In the lightweight bout, Cates of Columbia was fully 20 pounds lighter than his opponent, W. A. Warner of the Highgate Harriers, who is the amateur lightweight champion, and regret was expressed at this difference in weight. In spite of the disproportion, however, Cates put up a plucky fight. Just before the end of the opening round the American went groggy from a succession of heavy blows on the head and "Tommy" West, his second, wanted to give in for him. Cates, however, insisted upon another attempt but with no better result, and the referee stopped the fight before the second round was concluded.

All the amateur contests were limited to three rounds.

TREASURY STATEMENT.

The Comparison is Favorable to the Last Quarterly Statement.

LONDON, June 30.—The treasury statement issued today shows that the revenue for the first quarter of the fiscal year amounted to £28,995,081 (\$175,475,066), compared with £28,731,725 (\$148,656,875), for the corresponding quarter of 1901.

GERMAN CABLE CO.

Proposition to Lay Second Cable Between Germany and U. S.

BERLIN, June 30.—At a meeting today of the stockholders of the German Atlantic Cable company the proposition of the directors of the company to issue 20,000,000 marks in bonds to lay a second cable between Germany and the United States was accepted.

SITUATION CRITICAL.

The Various Political Parties in Hayti Are in Arms.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, June 30.—The elections for deputies have been interrupted. The various political parties in Hayti are in arms and ready for battle. There has been much firing here and the situation is critical.

LAWN-TENNIS CHAMPION.

LONDON, June 30.—H. L. Doherty won the all-American lawn tennis championship today, beating A. W. Gore, the holder, by 6-4, 6-3, 3-6 and 6-0.

A GOOD SHOWING.

MONTREAL, June 30.—Customs returns for Montreal for the year ending June 30th were \$10,090,508, an increase of \$1,118,123 over the preceding year.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

QUEBEC, June 30.—Amedee Robitaille was sworn in this morning as provincial secretary in the Parent cabinet.

Charles Wilson Barrett, the assistant postmaster, left Sunday for Grand Forks in charge of the bugle corps.

AMERICAN-RUSSIAN DISPUTE.

The Hearing is Expected to Be Completed June 30.

THE HAGUE, June 28.—Dr. Asser, the Dutch jurist-consultant who is arbitrating the American-Russian dispute, was occupied for six hours today with the case of M. Komarov, the Russian delegate, at Dr. Asser's request, elucidated the law points, and Herbert M. D. Peirce, third assistant secretary of the state of Washington, counsel for the United States, made a brief statement on behalf of the state department. Then some time was taken up by hearing witnesses. Russian experts and Captain Baker and Mr. Clifford, the attorneys for New Bedford, Mass., testified regarding the value of the oil and whalebone. A discussion of technical questions relating to sealing occupied the latter part of the session. The hearing is expected to be completed June 30 and an early decision is anticipated.

THE BIG TATTOO.

Will Take Place as Soon as the King is Out of Danger.

MONTREAL, June 28.—The big tattoo in honor of the coronation of the king that was to have been held here June 26th, will take place as soon as it is positively announced that the king is out of danger.

Charles Peter Camp, Uncle of W. J. Camp, superintendent of the C. F. E. telegraphs, died here of appendicitis, complicated with pneumonia. He was a resident of St. Catharines and was here on a visit. He was a Fenian raid veteran. He was 75. His remains will be interred in St. Catharines.

METAL MARKETS.

NEW YORK, June 28.—Bar silver 52 5-8. Copper easy.

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NEW YORK, June 27.—Bar silver 52 3-4. Copper easy. Lead quiet.

METAL MARKETS. NEW YORK, June 28.—Mexican dollars 421-2. Copper easy, \$12@412.25. Lead quiet.