

NEWSPAPER ATTACKS ON LAURIER WILL DRIVE QUEBEC TO HIS FOLD

Condition of Affairs in Yukon Such That the Miners Are Discouraged... Montreal, Aug. 2.—(Special)—It is rumored here that Member Ross of the Yukon will desert the government party because of the departmental misrule in the Far West. A letter from a former resident of Westmont now in Dawson City to his brother here gives an interesting sidelight on the condition of affairs in the Yukon. The writer of the letter is a member of a strong Liberal family, and a brother of a former member of the Yukon government who is now residing in Seattle. He writes: "The condition of business in Dawson is such that everybody is depressed with the present and the future aspect of things. Our laws are rotten, our legislatures have no brains, no self-respectiveness, and seem possessed of a fear that prompts them to cringe before the Ottawa board of grafters. All legislation seems to be designed to discourage the miners, and as the mining industry is the only source of revenue, any measures which fail to encourage this work must necessarily retard it. Many workers have fled in disgust from the Yukon territory, and many less others are preparing to follow. I believe that I would remain in Dawson if I were not so disappointed in the present, and regret the act very keenly. But when I shall have diagnosed in common with the rest of the country, preparatory to mining in Forty Mile, go to Eagle City and swear off the Yukon. I believe that I shall believe that Alaska will attract the attention of outside capital before long, and those who are on the ground will be glad to see the anticipated invasion of operators."

Articles Used as Campaign Literature by His Chief Support in Montreal... Montreal, Aug. 2.—(Special)—There are many signs here in Montreal pointing to an appeal to the Canadian electorate at a comparatively early date by the Laurier government, but none of a more convincing nature than the issue of La Presse, the big French daily, whose editor-in-chief, Mr. Arthur Dancereau, supplied the Prime Minister with the material upon which the silver-tongued leader built up his speech on the Grand Trunk Pacific a few days ago. Mr. Dancereau was Sir Adolphe Chapleau's right-hand man until the late lieutenant-governor passed bag and baggage to the Liberal party and the present director of La Presse was amongst the baggage.

Enlisted by Grand Trunk... La Presse is now daily filled with the terribly mistaken attacks of The Mail and Empire against the personality of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, all of which is translated into French and spread broadcast over this province at the rate of almost half a million copies every week. To make the matter more effective, it will have to be accompanied by Mr. Berthiaume's great newspaper, The Quebec, which is published in French last week 81,780, and of the week being less than 430,486 copies, and this is the only newspaper which has been translated into English by the Grand Trunk and the ministry to hold up Sir Wilfrid Laurier as a martyr to the cause of the Grand Trunk Pacific. La Presse is unfair, inasmuch as Mr. Dancereau never refers to the present name of the Grand Trunk Pacific, but simply The Mail, causing it to be implied in the mind of the average French reader that this is but a continuation of the old Mail's ferocious anti-French campaign before Dancereau and Farabee took over the paper. The editor-in-chief of the paper is an English-speaking Protestant and with an intimate knowledge of the French language, he is not likely to be misled by the English-speaking press, and he is not likely to be misled by the English-speaking press, and he is not likely to be misled by the English-speaking press.

Beat the Barbarians... Awful Death Punishment Meted to Chinese Journalist-Reformer by Empress Dowager... Pekin, Aug. 2.—A journalist of this city named Shen Chien, was executed here yesterday. According to the official report of the execution, Chien was beheaded, but it has become known that this report is false and that the condemned man was beaten to death in accordance with special instructions issued by the Dowager Empress, who desired to make an example of the journalist with which to terrify other reformers. The incident is declared to be the most horrible that has occurred in China since the massacre of 1900. The killing occurred in the court yard of the Yamen of the Board of Punishment, which was a public square. Chien was beheaded with bamboo rods for two hours in the afternoon, the flesh on his back arms and legs being cut off. He was then laid on a table and his body was cut into five pieces, which were scattered in different directions. The executioner, a man named Wu, was also executed for having killed Chien. The incident is declared to be the most horrible that has occurred in China since the massacre of 1900. The killing occurred in the court yard of the Yamen of the Board of Punishment, which was a public square. Chien was beheaded with bamboo rods for two hours in the afternoon, the flesh on his back arms and legs being cut off. He was then laid on a table and his body was cut into five pieces, which were scattered in different directions. The executioner, a man named Wu, was also executed for having killed Chien.

Grand Trunk Bill to Day... Resolution on Which It is Founded Will Be Taken Up... Ottawa, Aug. 2.—(Special)—Private bills will be one of the first orders for tomorrow in the Commons, and the second order will be the bill to amend the measure and the attendance of the bill to be taken up. The bill is a measure to amend the measure and the attendance of the bill to be taken up. The bill is a measure to amend the measure and the attendance of the bill to be taken up. The bill is a measure to amend the measure and the attendance of the bill to be taken up.

Turned the First Sod... Work Begun on New Government Buildings at Bowmanville... Bowmanville, Aug. 1.—The former town hall and market buildings in this town having been torn down to make room for erection by the Dominion government of a new customs house and postoffice, the contractors for the new buildings, including the new building, have been let to Brock and Macdonald. The new government buildings will be completed in the next few months. The new government buildings will be completed in the next few months. The new government buildings will be completed in the next few months.

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