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ASK FOR BOUNTIES ON STEEL

Deputation Waits on Government with Request for Renewal of Provision Cancelled by Late Government.

THINK INDUSTRY NEEDS PROTECTION.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Jan. 4.—A deputation representing the iron and steel industry of Canada waited on the government this afternoon and had a protracted conference. There were present J. H. Sumner, head of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company; Mr. Robson, for the Hamilton industry, and Thomas J. and George E. Drummond for the Algoma Company. The steel men appeared with their counsel in an effort to obtain from the new government a restoration of the iron and steel bounties and further encouragement for the industry. They presented a mass of material in the form of statistics, showing the actual degree of prosperity enjoyed by the industry under present conditions. The bounties paid on iron and steel in the last fiscal year amounted to \$1,158,746. The iron and steel bounties were paid for twenty-eight years before finally cut off by the late government. The bounties on pig iron, steel and puddled bars expired a year ago and the fast bounty, that on wire rods, being paid on the last day of June, 1911. The deputation left the east block at six o'clock without having received any assurance from the government. There is a rather strong probability that the whole question will be turned over to the tariff commission soon to be established. In any event it is understood the government does not intend to make any tariff changes this session.

POLITICS REMAIN IN UNSETTLED STATE IN LATIN REPUBLIC

Quayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 4.—No change has taken place in the political situation in Ecuador. General Leonida Plaza has been appointed commander in chief of the army in Quito, where conditions remain calm. The rumors of a battle having taken place at Machala in the Province of El Oro are false. The production of Guayaquil cocoa during the year 1911 amounted to 896,408 Spanish quintals, comprising Arriba, 595,854; Ballo, 138,112; and Machala, 72,442 quintals.

CHINESE MINISTER HAS DECIDED TO END STAY IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Jan. 4.—The Chinese Minister to Washington, Chang Yin Tang, has decided to quit his post here after a stay of a year and a month. The reason for his decision is as yet unknown. He will leave the capital next week for China, taking his family with him and leaving Yung Kwai, the first secretary in charge of the legation.

MOTHER STRUCK BY TRAIN, KILLED—CHILD IN ARMS UNINJURED

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—Walking along the tracks of the Reading Railroad near here, today with her 15 months old child in her arms, Mrs. Polla Pritolia, aged 30 years, was struck by a train and killed almost instantly. The child was torn from her arms and tossed into a field, but, except for a few slight bruises, was uninjured.

RACE TRACK EVILS STILL FLOURISH IN THE DOMINION

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—That progress was made in checking the traffic of women throughout Canada, but that race track gambling continued to do as much harm as usual, was the statement of Rev. Dr. Shearer, secretary of social and moral reform of the Presbyterian church in Canada, who is in Ottawa today. Dr. Shearer could see no advance in connection with the race track gambling, even though the social and moral reform people had fought so hard for its abolition.

MORE MONEY FOR IMPERIAL CAUSE

Empress Dowager Commands Princes to Dig Still Deeper—Some Funds Forthcoming.

Rebels Were Prepared to Carry Out Their Threat to Resort to the Use of Dynamite—Several Sticks Found.

Peking, Jan. 4.—The court's preparation for residence in Mongolia is believed to be only against an emergency. There has been a report current that a residence for the Empress Dowager and members of the royal family is being put in order at Zeekhe, Mongolia. Additional treasure to be contributed to the government by the Empress Dowager has been forthcoming from the palace, and the Empress Dowager has issued an edict addressed to the princes, commanding a loan from each of them for the imperial cause. This has resulted in further contributions of a few hundred thousand taels. The foreign banks are experiencing difficulties in converting the bars of gold into silver. Foreign bank notes are no longer current, silver alone being acceptable. Premier Yuan Shi Kai is being accused of double dealing. It is alleged that he is attempting the destruction of the Manchus financially, before continuing in their detestation; but it is thought that the revolutionaries, whose agents employ every trick, are circulating reports that Yuan is secretly republican in order to discredit him. Dynamite discovered along the railway line has been brought to Peking by a woman. This is the first evidence that the long standing revolutionary hatreds are serious. The revolutionaries months ago declared that they would employ dynamite to accomplish their purpose of driving the Manchus out of the government. Reports regarding dissatisfaction among the Lanchow troops are discredited. It is believed that the disaffected soldiers number not more than 800. Yuan Shi Kai is making preparations in anticipation of the arrival of the Republican army by sea, and for the purpose is despatching troops to the north. President Sun Yat Sen has received a letter from Yuan Shi Kai insisting that the entire people be permitted to decide upon the form of government for China, and thanking Sun Yat Sen for his offer of the presidency. The first cabinet meeting will be held tomorrow. The position of Premier has been abolished. President Sun admits that the situation is delicate, but is hopeful that Yuan Shi Kai will avoid the terrible bloodshed which must follow the resumption of hostilities.

SESSION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS BROUGHT TO CLOSE

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Fredericton, Jan. 4.—The Provincial Government meeting here was concluded this evening and the members of the executive left for their homes. The schedule of business for the month contained about 100 items and was a particularly heavy one. Several matters therefore remained unfinished when the executive adjourned this evening. A license has been granted to the Campbellton Railway from Plaster Rock to Riley Brook, a distance of 28 miles. This evening the delegation expressed themselves satisfied that government was favorably impressed. A license has been granted to the Prudential Trust Company to do business in the province. The president of the company is Lt. Col. Jeffrey H. Burland, G. W. Ganong, ex-M.P., of St. Stephen was recently elected a director. Edmund Bristol, M.P. of Toronto, H. B. Shaw and B. Hal Brown of Montreal were recently here in connection with the company's application.

"BABY" BLISS DEAD, IS MORE LIKE BABY ELEPHANT IN WEIGHT

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 4.—One Leonard Bliss, aged 45, was found dead in bed here today. He weighed 550 pounds, and as "Baby" Bliss, was exhibited in America and Europe in bicycle races and museums.

MILLIONS OF POUNDS OF SUGAR DESTROYED

Bay City, Mich., Jan. 4.—Fire in the warehouse of the Michigan Sugar Company at Essexville, near this city, caused a loss of \$175,000 today. In the burned building was stored between two and three million pounds of sugar, much of which was damaged.

TENDERS FOR BIG WARSHIPS

Three Firms Bid for Contract to Construct Dreadnaughts for Uncle Sam—An Agreeable Surprise.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Proposals for the building of the two 25,000 ton Dreadnaught battleships Oklahoma and Nevada, opened today at the navy department, agreeably surprised naval officials who feared as a result of the eight hour law stipulation of Congress they would be unable to obtain bids within the cost of \$6,000,000 allowed by the law. There were only three bidders. The William Cramp Shipbuilding Company of Philadelphia refused to submit a bid, and stated in a letter that it did so because the law compelled the company to adopt the eight hour law for the work of its entire plant as a condition of taking the naval contract. The Fox River Company offered to build one ship on the department's specifications for \$5,980,000, but submitted two other proposals at lower amounts. The New York Shipbuilding Company submitted the lowest bid at \$5,926,000 for a vessel, substituting nickel steel for sixty per cent. special steel required in the department's specifications, and turbine engines for reciprocating engines. It would build one vessel for \$5,965,000, substituting nickel steel for a large part of the special steel in the hull. Only one ship was bid for by each of these two companies. The time for completion was three years. It is likely that a contract will be awarded to each of these companies. The Newport News Shipbuilding Company placed an offer on one vessel at \$6,450,000, almost half a million dollars more than allowed by Congress for the construction of the vessels.

PRICES NOT AS HIGH AS EXPECTED.

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RICHESON'S FIANCEE MISSING FOR WEEKS NEEDED AS WITNESS

Boston, Jan. 4.—District Attorney Pelletier today confirmed a report that he is endeavoring to locate Miss Violet Edmonds, to whom Rev. C. V. T. Richeson was engaged. Mr. Pelletier said that Miss Edmonds had been absent from home for weeks and that if she is found in another state, extradition proceedings will be instituted to obtain her presence as a witness at Richeson's trial. Chief Justice Allen gave his approval to the use of the fourth floor of the court for the trial. Adjoining rooms and corridor seats will be set aside for witnesses and the general public admitted only as seats are vacant. Reports are still current that a trial may be averted, but no action to this end has been taken by the defense.

CHARGES AGAINST CIVIL SERVANTS TO BE INVESTIGATED

Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 4.—W. L. Shurtleff, K. C. of Coaticook, has been appointed by the government to investigate all charges of political partisanship laid against civil servants employed in the Eastern Townships. Mr. Shurtleff will report on each case, and the action of the government will depend largely upon his finding.

RUSSELL CASE IS ASSUMING MORE COMPLICATIONS

Montreal, Jan. 4.—Several more actions have been entered as a result of the David Russell case. W. A. Pinkerton agency ask \$100,000 from the Montreal Herald Company and G. C. Donaghy, New York, claims \$25,000 from Russell.

PRIVILEGE TO MAKE NORISE GRANTED SAN FRANCISCO CHINESE

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—Disregarding an ordinance which forbids the discharge of fire arms and fire works except on the Fourth of July, Chief of Police White today decided that the celebration of the establishment of the new Chinese republic is an occasion that calls for noise, and gave Chinatown a permit to celebrate next Sunday. A feature will be a parade in "American style," automobiles will be engaged and a brass band will lead.

PRESIDENT OF STEEL CONCERN RESIGNS—PLACE NOT FILLED

New York, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Judge Elbert H. Gary has resigned as chairman of the board of the American Steel Foundries, owing to pressure of other business. The vacancy has not been filled.

MAY RIVAL THE REIGN OF TERROR

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CAPT. BIRDWHISTLE RESIGNS FROM THE SCOUTS' COUNCIL

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Captain R. J. Birdwhistle, Honorary Dominion Secretary of the Boy Scouts, has sent in his resignation to the Dominion Council. His duties as secretary of the St. John's Ambulance Association for Canada, have increased to such an extent, that he cannot spare the time for the duties of the Boy Scout organization.

DYNAMITE CASE INVOLVES THREE MORE UNION MEN

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 4.—Bert H. Conners, A. P. Mapley and C. Crabender, union men today were called for trial on the charge of having attempted to blow up the county hall of Los Angeles a few weeks prior to the Times explosion. Clarence S. Darrow said he was "out of it," and H. H. Apple was made attorney of record, with LeCombe Davis as chief counsel. The prisoners asked for separate trials and Conners was selected to go to trial first.

REVOLUTIONARIES DECIDE TO ISSUE LARGE SUM IN PAPER

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—A Hong Kong despatch to the Chung Sai Yn Po, says the revolutionary government of Kwang Tung province, with headquarters at Canton, has authorized the issuance of \$15,000,000 in paper money. Revolutionary officials have arrived in Hong Kong to superintend the printing there of the notes.

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CUSTOMS REVENUE IS RAPIDLY INCREASING

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—During the month of December the receipts from customs duties were \$7,333,349.61, as against \$5,727,576.65 in December, 1910, an increase of \$1,605,772.96, or 28 per cent. For the nine months of the fiscal year ending on December 31, the revenue from customs was \$63,670,958.24, as against \$53,124,485.23, in the same period of 1910, an increase of \$10,546,472.01, or nearly 20 per cent.

HARTLAND MAN GETS GOOD APPOINTMENT

Central Blissville, Jan. 3.—H. James Murray who has just closed a very superior term as principal of the superior school at Hartland, has left for Ottawa to accept a position in the department of marine and fisheries. This shows in a manner not to be mistaken that the Hon. J. D. Hazen has not lost his interest in his old constituency of Sunbury. Jim Murray is a son of Dr. Murray of Fredericton Junction.

ALLIANCE MAY BE TERMINATED

Feeling Against Connection with Central European Nations Growing in Italy.

Influences Being Exerted Both to Maintain and Destroy Triple Alliance—Wilhelm Criticises Italian Troops.

SITUATION MAY IMPROVE SOON.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The influences which are being brought to bear in order to induce Italy to renew or not to renew the Tripoli alliance with Germany and Austria-Hungary, are becoming daily of a more pressing character. Reports have been received here through a special message from Paris that the German Emperor has made recently some unflattering comments about Italy and the Italian army, and also in regard to the way the war in Tripoli is being conducted by Italy. Although it is not believed in authoritative and responsible quarters in Rome that the moment has arrived when Italy is ready to drop out of the alliance with the central European empires, it is expected that Herr Von Kiderlin-Waechter, the German Secretary for Foreign Affairs, will come here shortly to pay a visit to King Victor Emmanuel. He has already been twice to Vienna but has never visited Rome since he took up the portfolio of Foreign Affairs. His visit, which has not yet been announced officially, is considered likely to be the starting point of serious negotiations for the renewal of the Tripoli alliance.

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OUTRAGES CONTINUE IN PERSIA

Hanging of Fidais and Nationalists by Russians is Still Going on—Buildings Blown Up.

Tabriz, Jan. 4.—The hanging of Fidais by the Russians continues. Three of the Fidais were hanged last night and their bodies displayed on the gallows today. Many arrests are being made and several houses of Fidais and Nationalists have been blown up. The prisoners who were brought in by Shua Ed Dowleh, brother of the ex-Shah, when he arrived here on January 2, to assume the government were handed over to the Russians, who marched them to camp with chains around their necks. All the houses in the neighborhood of the Russian camp have been wrecked. The general feeling among Persians is dying. A doctor will under arrest, charged with performing an illegal operation upon her. The young girl who has been employed as a domestic in the home of a very prominent family in the city, was taken violently ill on Sunday and removed to the hospital. This morning the physicians in charge pronounced her case hopeless, and the detective department was communicated with. Chief Carpenter visited the sick girl, and immediately summoned Judge Leet to take her anti-mortem deposition. In few words her sad story was told, and upon the strength of it the doctor was arrested. A young man about twenty years of age, is blamed for her condition and has also been arrested. Another arrest is likely to be made at any moment, that of a woman who advised the girl to have the operation performed when she was informed of the seventeen year old girl's condition.

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SAYS HE WILL NOT TAKE PART

District Attorney Fredericks Telegraphs That He is Out of Dispute Between Brown and Burns.

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FRIEND OF McNAMARA BEFORE GRAND JURY.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 4.—Frank Eckhoff, of Cincinnati, intimate friend of John J. McNamara for years, appeared at the federal grand jury chamber today. R. H. Johnson, manager of the street railway lines at Peoria, Ill., also came in answer to a subpoena, and both men are assumed to have related details of various dynamite explosions now being investigated by the government. District Attorney John D. Fredericks of Los Angeles, Cal., said today he expected the California evidence in the alleged conspiracy to reach here tomorrow. Mr. Fredericks announced that he had telegraphed his assistants in Los Angeles that he would take no part in the dispute between Samuel L. Browne, chief of the county detectives there and Wm. J. Burns, over the rewards offered in connection with the arrest of the McNamara brothers.

CHANGES FOR END OF LABOR DISPUTE STILL SEEM SLIM

Manchester, Eng., Jan. 4.—The indications this afternoon were that there is slight hope of an agreement being reached today in the dispute in the cotton industry in Lancashire which started over the employment of three non-unionists, but which now includes questions of wages and similar issues. The negotiations it was stated, are going badly. The employers maintain their position on the open shop question and refuse, despite strong efforts to move from their attitude. Sir George Ranken-Askwith, the settler of industrial disputes, has had conferences with both sides, but his attempts to reach a settlement have proved fruitless.

FORWARD MOVEMENT SPREADS TO CANADA--PRELIMINARY PLANS

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—It was decided at a conference here today to undertake a branch of the Men and Religion Forward Movement in Canada. A temporary committee to make preliminary plans was formed. On this board are, C. K. Calhoun, Montreal; Dr. Scott Brantford; Rev. Dr. Shearer, Rev. W. S. Warburton, Toronto and T. D. Patton, Winnipeg. The movement is the result of the visit of organizers from New York.

DEFENCE SECURES ANOTHER WITNESS IN STREET CAR CASE

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Another important witness has been secured by the defence for Motorman W. J. Moore in charge of the King street car, which turned turtle at King and St. Lawrence streets on Christmas eve. The witness is Humphrey Ligmer, 86 Simcoe street, an employe at the Government House, who will swear that he boarded the trolley at the Don bridge stop, just before the accident. Several others who got off at this point are willing to swear that the car came to a full stop on the bridge before proceeding down the grade. The assumption so far has been that the car travelled at a swift speed right through from Broadview Avenue.

OFFICIAL OF GRAND TRUNK IS RETIRED AFTER LONG SERVICE

Montreal, Jan. 4.—The retirement of G. A. Pope, purchasing claims agent of the Grand Trunk Pacific who handled most of the right of way negotiations between St. John and western Canada and has been superintendent on the G. T. P. since 1895 is announced today on the superannuation list, at the age of 75 years. This is ten years past the superannuation limit, but Mr. Pope was so efficient an official that the company retained him on the active list, and he has one son, Dr. I. Pope, of Winnipeg.