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CARRY THE POWER BYLAW—THAT IS THE DUTY WHICH RESTS WITH TORONTO NOW

JAPAN FIRMLY INSISTS REFUSING TO SET LIMIT ON EMIGRATION ON FULL TREATY RIGHTS

Won't Be Convinced That Moral Pledge Was Given Canada Before Commercial Entente Was Established.

LEMIEUX ENTIRELY IGNORED THE YANKEE AMBASSADOR

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A Tokio cable says that Hon. Mr. Lemieux is leaving Yokohama on Thursday and expects to return to Ottawa about Jan. 12, traveling via San Francisco.

At the last meeting between Lemieux and Viscount Hayashi on Wednesday morning memoranda were exchanged. It is understood that the Canadian envoy is insisting on Consul-General Nouse's assurance, repeatedly given from the time before Canada's participation in the Anglo-Japanese commercial treaty, that Japanese immigrants to Canada shall be restricted to about 600 per annum, and that this shall be regarded as a moral pledge given the Dominion Government.

The Japanese Government, however, are unable to ascertain that such assurances were ever given, and hold that if this is really the case, a distinct line should be drawn between pledges given before and after Canada's participation in the commercial treaty.

His Lips Are Sealed.
TOKYO, Dec. 25.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Canadian minister of labor, who has concluded his negotiations with the Japanese government regarding the regulation of immigration to Canada, said to the Associated Press today:

"My lips are sealed on the subject. Any statement I have to make belongs first to the Dominion Government. My mission will be completed only after my return to Ottawa. My colleagues there will be in a position to fully discuss and consider the whole question in its various phases. I have every reason to believe that a solution of the difficulties will soon be reached and am pleased to say that my negotiations with the Japanese foreign office were conducted in the friendliest spirit.

"I return with nothing but the most pleasant recollections of the trip. The Associated Press is in a position to state that the situation is identical with its previous forecast. Mr. Lemieux and the Japanese ambassador, the British ambassador, fully agreed with the terms of the memorandum whereupon the Japanese government outlines its plans for the future control of immigration, the announcement of which will probably be made when a similar arrangement is outlined to Thomas J. O'Brien, the American ambassador, who it is understood has submitted a number of suggestions from the American government for the consideration of the foreign office.

Flutter Among the Diplomats.
The suggestions, it is believed, largely served as a guide to the arrangement submitted to Canada thru Mr. Lemieux and there is reason to believe that the Japanese government will soon submit to Ambassador O'Brien the details of this plan to control immigration to America, which practically amounts to the prevention of all labor immigration.

Mr. Lemieux to the American ambassador has caused much comment in diplomatic circles. Mr. Lemieux entirely ignores the American ambassador, who evidently preferred not to discuss the matter with Ambassador O'Brien.

It is understood that the foreign minister, Viscount Hayashi, thru his conferences with Lemieux, consistently declined to sacrifice any treaty rights or to set any limit on the number of Japanese who will be permitted to land in Canada monthly.

Minister Lemieux and party will sail for home on the Empress of China to-morrow, Dec. 28, the Canadian government having instructed him to report at the earliest possible moment.

Ambassador Called Home.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, will sail for home on the steamer Manchuria leaving San Francisco on Jan. 7. The ambassador will leave Washington on the 30th inst. He goes home in response to a summons from his government for a discussion of conditions in America affecting the interests of the Japanese.

ENGLAND'S PACIFIC PLANS
Position in Diplomacy Affecting Far East Arouses Keen Interest.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The Herald's Washington correspondent to-day says: Diplomats of all countries are greatly interested in the point raised in the connection asked by The Herald in connection with the report, quickly denied, but nevertheless half believed, that British admiral contemplates sending a fleet to the Pacific.

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1-5TH OF LONDON IN COUNTRY FOR XMAS

The Day as Spent at Sandringham—New Yorkers Also Enjoy the Festival.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A Christmas holiday lasting from Tuesday to Friday for everyone engaged in business and extending to the following Monday for many scores of thousands of workers has resulted in a record distribution of Londoners to all parts of the United Kingdom and left the streets of the city more deserted in appearance than ever on the average Sunday.

Nearly a million persons are computed to have taken trains at the various railway terminals in the city during the past 66 hours, bound to the provinces and elsewhere, on visits to relatives and friends. The weather yesterday was so foggy and resulted in so many minor mishaps to traffic at sea and on land that there was apprehension that it might continue today.

This morning, however, dawned bright with a bracing atmosphere, thereby contributing toward the Christmas cheer. King Edward and the Queen, with the Prince and Princess of Wales and their children, are as usual spending the Christmas holiday at Sandringham Palace in Norfolk.

All the tenants at Sandringham have been remembered with presents of all kinds, including huge joints of beef, tons of coal and supplies of groceries. The old women of the estate were personally cared for by Queen Alexandra, who herself visited and distributed shawls and wraps to them.

The rumors of shortage of money are belied by the reports that there has been a brisk Christmas trade, the only complaint coming from wine and cigar merchants and dealers in turkeys who have been hit by the new "prevention of corruption" act, which forbids gifts of any kind from an agent without the consent of the principal, with the object of influencing patrons to do business with him.

Many large firms of economical mind as well as private individuals, whose gifts are beyond suspicion, have taken advantage of the act to get rid of irksome annual taxation, on the plea that such presents possibly would subject them to penalties provided by the new law.

Busy at Ottawa.
OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Judging from experience, Ottawa postal authorities say that the financial stringency has not affected Christmas giving.

At the general postoffice to-day it was stated that the mail matter received and handled during the past week was unprecedented. Mails from Great Britain have been particularly bulky and the act to get behind in handling and delivering it that mails from Canadian points were practically untouched by the heavy snowstorm interfered somewhat with the delivery but with the best weather conditions the usual staff could not have dealt with half the matter received.

NEW YORKERS ENJOYED A BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Anyone who thinks that New York has the dumps should have been here to-day. From the Bronx to the Battery and over into Brooklyn to the point where Coney Island points its nose into the sea, there was merry-making that must have satisfied the jolliest souls and those who had no cheer of their own were heartily supplied by those who had enough and to spare. Those in a position to know say that never before have the good things been distributed with so lavish a hand or so many of the less fortunate made happy by gratuitous giving. The Salvationists' Volunteers, Y.M.C.A.'s and a hundred other public and private humanitarian organizations vied with each other in supplying to all in need bountiful repasts, surprise gifts of clothing and toys, with music and bright lights as well thrown in. In fact the good cheer could not be dispensed within the traditional 24 hours.

At the Stock Exchange.
Even at the stock exchange, the scene of recent disaster for many, the walls were hung with holly and mistletoe and the brokers proved that they were not the jolliest souls and those who had no cheer of their own were heartily supplied by those who had enough and to spare. Those in a position to know say that never before have the good things been distributed with so lavish a hand or so many of the less fortunate made happy by gratuitous giving. The Salvationists' Volunteers, Y.M.C.A.'s and a hundred other public and private humanitarian organizations vied with each other in supplying to all in need bountiful repasts, surprise gifts of clothing and toys, with music and bright lights as well thrown in. In fact the good cheer could not be dispensed within the traditional 24 hours.

DARING ROBBERY.
\$50,000 Stolen by Two Men From Chicago Jeweler's Window.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—While the jewelry store of David Holtz was crowded with customers last night, two robbers smashed a show window and escaped with two trays of diamonds and jewelry valued at \$50,000.

The thieves escaped.

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THE CLOSE OF MONOPOLISTIC NAVIGATION.



THE ORPHAN: Are we goin' there by water, Ma?
THE WIDOW: Not unless we can engage an ice-breaker, Dear.

INJURED MAN CALLED DRUNK
Taken to Hospital, Then to Police Station—Hit by Car and Has Since Died.

Conflict arises about the condition of Andrew Knapp, 149 Church-street, at St. Michael's Hospital, after he had been injured by a street car opposite the Labor Temple on Church-street at 6 o'clock Tuesday night. The man was first carried to the hospital by P. C. Watson, who found him on the sidewalk of the road. There Watson, who is attached to No. 4 division, turned the case over to P. C. Wood (205) of No. 2 division, in which the accident occurred.

Wood declares that a hospital attendant washed blood from the man's face, which was oozing from his nose and ears. He was entered at St. Michael's at 6:15 o'clock.

Later plainclothesman Miller went to the hospital and was told that the man was only drunk. He says that he noticed blood oozing from his right ear and asked that the doctor should once more examine the man. A surgeon did so, and said that he thought that he was only drunk. Miller did not point out the bleeding, but believes that the doctor must have noticed it.

At 8:15 the man was taken to No. 2 Police Station and placed in the corridor of the men's cells. At 1:30 o'clock the morning the sergeant on duty noticed that the man's breathing was irregular, and as this got worse and the man was in a semi-conscious condition, unable to give his name, he was sent back to the hospital at 2:15 o'clock. On being re-examined there P. C. Fyfe, who accompanied him in the patrol wagon, was told that the doctor still believed that he was only drunk.

At 8:30 o'clock Christmas morning he was dead.

The case was reported to the chief, and Coroner R. J. Wilson will open an inquest at the hospital at 10 o'clock this morning.

A house surgeon told The World last night that at the time the man was brought in no one seemed to know how he had been hurt. There was a slight superficial abrasion on the forehead and another upon the right ear. This latter was bleeding slightly and the blood was welling into the ear, but had not reached the canal. The man had evidently been drinking and his actions were those of a drunken, rather than an injured man. If the constable had not come to enquire at 8 o'clock he would have remained in the hospital.

Knapp, who was 60 years of age, was a carpenter from Kingston, where some of his daughters are living. At 6 o'clock he was standing on the west side of Church-street, opposite the Labor Temple. He made a run to cross before a southbound car, and was thrown to one side by the fender. He did not then seem to be seriously hurt.

HUNDREDS FIGHT FOR A FREE DINNER

MONTREAL, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—More charity Christmas dinners were given in Montreal to-day than for a score of years past, owing to the number of Montrealers who are out of work, and the large number of immigrants who have recently arrived and cannot get anything to do.

At the Old Brewery Mission over 700 men (more than twice as many as ever before) were given a big meal. Most of these were new arrivals, of all nationalities, and all seemed very hungry, consuming a surprising quantity of food.

Six hours before the hour set for the first place, the dining room was a line awaiting the dinner, and by 2 o'clock there was a mob of hundreds of famished and half-frozen men fighting for a big meal. Most of these were new arrivals, of all nationalities, and all seemed very hungry, consuming a surprising quantity of food.

Some 20,000 persons attended the five English and two French theatres this afternoon and evening.

WATER COMMISSIONERS WILL HAVE TO RESIGN

Accepted High Contract For Construction of Dam—New York's Mayor Takes Action.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—As a result of the investigation made by the commissioners of accounts into the award of the contract for the construction of the Ashokan dam, a part of the city's new water supply system, the board of water commissioners will be removed by Mayor McClellan unless his action is forestalled by their resignations.

This was made known to-day following the receipts by the mayor of the commissioners of accounts, John Pursey, Mitchell and Philip B. Gaynor.

The water commissioners, Edward Simmons, Charles N. Chadwick and Charles N. Shaw, awarded the Ashokan contract to MacArthur Bros. Co. whose bid was \$12,669,775, against \$10,315,539 bid for the work by the John Pierce Co.

Protests were immediately filed and an enquiry was ordered by the mayor. Charges of incompetency and misconduct, based on an alleged waste of public funds, will be held against the members of the water board.

FATE OF BARQUE VIKING RELATED

Tragic Story of Collision, Mutiny and Death That Reads Like Fiction.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The American ship Atlas dropped anchor here last night, 275 days out from Baltimore. It ended a voyage made tragic by a collision off Cape Horn, attended by the sinking of another vessel, the drowning of the fated craft's captain and the captain's wife, mutiny on its decks and death among its crew.

On June 6 at 6 p.m. the Atlas struck the Norwegian barque Viking, Capt. Paterson, bound from Hamburg to Callao. Both were badly damaged by the collision, but the barque fared worst. In the terror of the night 13 of the crew of the Norwegian barque boarded the American ship, crawling over tangled shrouds and gantling booms, but Capt. Paterson and his wife were not among those who made the dangerous transit.

It was too dark to render aid, and the Atlas stood by during the night and next morning the Viking had disappeared. The Atlas put into Rio de Janeiro for repairs, leaking badly. On the way to this port a mutiny took place among the crew over some trouble with the mast, but it was easily quelled.

Before the collision off Cape Horn, three of the ship's company met death. Nolan, seaman, fell from the jibboom and was drowned. On June 15, John H. Hook, sailmaker, died and was buried at sea. When the ship arrived yesterday the captain's son and the third officer were ill and the vessel was ordered into quarantine.

The Atlas had a cargo of coal for the United States Government. The vessel had been 120 days out from Rio de Janeiro and was overdue. Reinsurance notes. Nothing has been heard of her after she began her last voyage until night.

BIG RIVET COMPANY.
May Establish Branch Factory in Windsor or Port Hope.

WINDSOR, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The Champion Rivet Company, a Cleveland concern, has decided to establish a branch in Canada, and Windsor has been highly favored for a location. It is authoritatively stated that the choice lies between Windsor and Port Hope, Ont. It is given out the company will employ about 500 hands.

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PALESTINE OPEN FOR ZIONIST COLONY

Important Concession from the Sultan of Turkey—Toronto Jews Subscribe to Fund.

"The present condition of Zionism demands immediate means," said the chairman, "The actions committee relies upon its faithful Canadian Zionists to strain all their energies to collect for the party fund." Such was the wording of a cablegram sent on the 23rd inst. from Cologne by Herr David Wolffsohn, the head of the Zionist movement throughout the world, to Clarence L. de Sola, the president of this federation of Zionist societies of Canada, and read by that gentleman yesterday afternoon at the mass-meeting of the Zionists of this city in Massey Hall. "My presence here to-day," explained Mr. de Sola, "was determined thru the receipt during the past few days of important communications in connection with the movement. From Herr Wolffsohn, as I wished to place before you these facts and ask for your hearty co-operation."

Several hundred dollars were subscribed during the afternoon, and the Hebrew population of the city will within the next few weeks be thoroughly canvassed. It is expected that a good many thousand dollars can be secured here, and a very substantial sum from the Jews of the Dominion and the United States. But millions are required, and no doubt before the world's canvases is closed millions will be obtained. No definite figure, either as a minimum or maximum, is mentioned, but it is merely stated that the more they get the more they can accomplish.

On the platform were seated Rabbi Weintraub of the Austrian Synagogue, Chestnut-street; Rabbi Gordon of the University-avenue Synagogue; Rabbi Levi of the Russian Synagogue, Centre-street; Rev. Mr. Caplan of the Central-street Synagogue; Rev. Mr. Goldenstein of the Austrian Synagogue, Teruley-street; Rev. Mr. Wolman; A. Nathanson, J. W. Gurofsky, and B. Stone, president of the United Zionists of Toronto.

A choir of about 20 voices, under the direction of Rev. Mr. Wolman, sang the Hatikvah, or the hope, which is the national song of the Zionists, and were loudly applauded. The majority of the singers were children.

"Recently Herr Wolffsohn has invited to Constantinople by the sultan in order to discuss certain proposals which had been submitted to him by the Zionists, and was accompanied by Dr. Catnelson, president of the Jewish Colonial Trust, which has charge of the movement's financial interests. He has definite information in respect to this interview and its results has yet been made public, but as I am a member of the actions committee, I have received confidential information," said the chairman.

"As political negotiations, if they are to succeed, must be kept secret, I do not pretend to disclose certain confidential facts, but I am authorized from the headquarters at Cologne to state that these gentlemen were not only favorably received by the sultan, but were informed, in a manner which leaves no room whatever for doubt upon the subject of the sultan's sincerity, that if we will fulfill certain reasonable conditions we can immediately acquire from the Turkish Government some very valuable and most important concessions in Palestine. (Applause.)

Sultan May Seek Terms.
"It is beyond question that the sultan has not only been following our movement closely, but is also seriously considering in what way he can come to terms with us. To acquire these concessions we must fulfill certain conditions. But they are not difficult. Amongst other things, we must show the Turkish Government that we are not mere utters of words, but men and women of action, and that we are not afraid to do anything, we have the power, and the strength, and the financial means necessary to carry it out. (Applause.)

"The sultan is a very astute statesman and a good business man, and as are his advisers. One of the questions asked us is this: 'You Zionists desire to have granted you certain concessions in Palestine. In return, will you help us build railways? We have answered, 'Yes. Now, where is your capital to do it? Again, will you help us to build up industries and develop Palestine? We have again answered, 'Yes. Now, where is your capital to do it? Do you think that we will grant you valuable concessions and run the risk of your failure to carry them out?'

"Now, that is precisely our position to-day, and the moment that we can satisfy the sultan that we are financially strong enough to carry out plans we will have the chance to do it. Herr Wolffsohn is very shortly to return to Constantinople, to tell the sultan we

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Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Eight-One Copies Was The World's Actual Circulation Yesterday