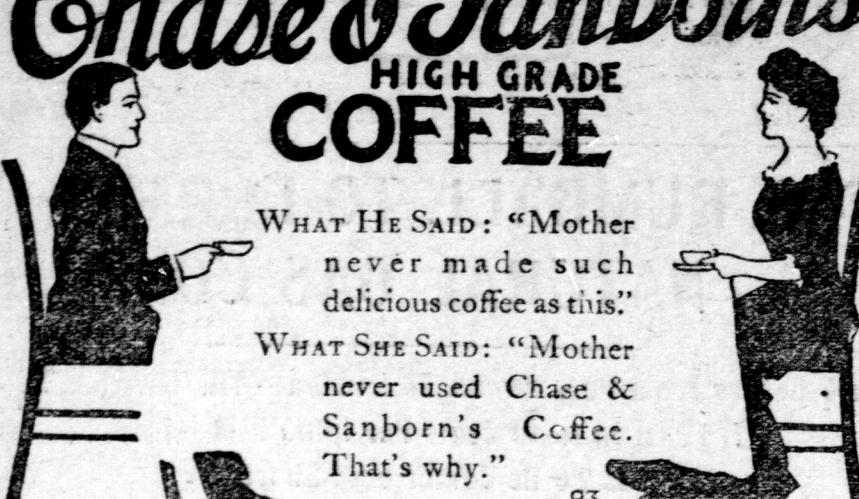


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DETERMINED TO REFORM CONGO

Great Britain Will Insist Treaty Obligations Being Carried Out.

London, Feb. 24.—In the House of Lords debate today on the Congo situation, Lord Fitzmaurice, representing the foreign office, pleaded for more time for action on the part of the Belgian Government. He pointed out the enormous difficulties, both international and Belgian, that there were in the way of speedy accomplishment of the reforms in the Congo desired by every body.

The British Government, the speaker said, would not regard as satisfactory anything short of a complete vindication of both the treaty obligations and the claims of humanity. Lord Fitzmaurice said he thought the appeals made for this country had received a marked response from the United States.

Continuing, Lord Fitzmaurice said: "I regard the co-operation of the United States of the highest importance, not merely because of the influence and power of the United States, great as this is, but because the United States could not under any conceivable circumstances be charged with what Great Britain unfortunately had been charged, namely, purely selfish ambition. One question in which the people of the United States and ourselves are particularly interested is the refusal of the Congo State to carry out its treaty obligations with regard to the granting of rights for the churches, schools and the various missions. I can only promise the House that the foreign office will not lose sight of this question and that it will continue to press it."

In announcing the early publication of a white book on the Congo, he said: "This book will include the first outward and visible sign of the co-operation between ourselves and the United States—a very interesting extract from the report of an American consul which, by permission, we were allowed to incorporate."

The report to which Lord Fitzmaurice refers is that of James A. Smith, the American consul-general at Boma. It deals with the virtual forced labor imposed upon the natives by the food taxes, the conditions of rubber collecting and the cheating practiced upon them in the delivery of rubber by false weighing. The report shows that the women in the villages of the Leopold district, practically have ceased to bear children owing to the incessant work made necessary for the payment of the food taxes.

RESIST WAGE CUT

Molders Say They Will Not Stand For a Twenty Per Cent Reduction.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Will the master molders of Ontario reduce the wages of their employees 20 per cent?

A report to this effect has somewhat startled the molders of Ontario.

That the employers have been seriously considering the matter there is no doubt, and it has been intended to some of the officers of the union.

"We will resist any wage reductions," said a prominent member of the union, in discussing the matter. "With the cost of living as it is our men could not possibly stand a wage reduction. We have had to fight hard enough to get what we have, and our men have instructions to quit work wherever a wage reduction is announced."

The action of the molders is in line with the decision of the American Federation of Labor to resist all wage reductions.

CORTEYOU AFTER FUNDS

The U. S. Treasury Wants Returns That Will Total \$35,000,000.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The Secretary of the United States Treasury today announced a call upon national banks for approximately 25 per cent of the public funds now held in inactive deposits, having on deposit such funds in the sum of \$100,000 or more, and 25 per cent of the public funds now held by active depositaries where the deposit is \$100,000 of such funds, or in excess thereof, and where such withdrawal can be made without inconvenience to the transaction of public business.

Under the call approximately \$35,000,000 will be returned to the treasury. Payments under these will be made as follows: Ten per cent of the amount called on or before March 9, and the remaining 15 per cent on or before March 23. Secretary Cortelyou stated that advice from all portions of the country are to the effect that his proportion of the Government funds now on deposit with the national banks can be withdrawn without detriment to financial conditions in any section.

CANADIAN

A. B. Petrie, of Belleville, is dead, aged 88.

Mrs. Archibald Forsyth, of Galt, is dead, aged 84.

Mrs. Plam, of Bartonville, died suddenly yesterday.

J. T. Hewitt is president of the Brantford Golf Club.

The police of Brantford have received an increase of pay.

Canon Dann, of London, preached at Chatham on Sunday last.

City Engineer Lindsay, of Guelph, has received an offer to go to Belleville.

Mrs. Hannah Honeywell, of Aylmer, aged 74, is dead from a relapse of la grippe.

Brantford council has an electric power committee with Ald. Andrews for chairman.

Skin milk is sold to the needy from the dairy school at Kingston for one cent per quart.

Mapleton farmers have organized a club at Kingsmill with Miles Charlton for president.

Woodstock and the townships of Brantford and East Oxford are to vote on local option.

S. P. Fox, M.P.P., has again been chosen as Conservative candidate in West Victoria.

Burglars broke into the G. T. R. station at St. Marys last night, but got little of value.

Alfred Watts is chairman of the Brantford water commissions for the eighteenth time.

The formal opening of the Hamilton-Brantford Radial Railway will take place on May 24.

The McMaster band of evangelists are holding noon hour services in the factories of Chatham.

Mabel Allen, of Mount Albert, has been committed for trial for firing the barns of Jacob Hopkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex C. Graham, of Lobo, have celebrated the 71st anniversary of their marriage.

The Aylmer iron works have gone into liquidation, owing to the absorption of the Sovereign Bank.

Smallpox has broken out in Moncton, and the board of health may prohibit all public meetings.

Rev. H. E. Willwood, Methodist preacher at Chatsworth, has been invited to remain a fourth year.

Waterford dog-owners are looking for the individual who is poisoning the dogs of the neighborhood.

Joseph Laurin, a fireman at Sarnia, was instantly killed on Saturday by grasping a live wire.

Miss Elizabeth Baxter, of Windsor, is dead, from blood-poisoning, caused by a small abrasion on the ankle.

East Lambton Orangemen will celebrate with the West Lambton brethren in Sarnia on the 12th of July.

Alexander Collins has been appointed waterworks superintendent at Niagara Falls to succeed Robert Little.

Mr. George College, of St. Thomas, was badly scalded in the Pore Marquette shops yesterday. He will recover.

The Dominion railway commission has sent out a circular compelling all railroads to put electric headlights on engines.

Mr. John Wilson, of Fordwick, dropped dead yesterday on the street. He was one of the pioneers of Howick Township.

Eva Rivard, a well-dressed young woman, caught twice stealing in Montreal stores, was arrested for shoplifting.

August Mundstock, a farmer near Lacrosse, Wis., was fined \$75 and costs for jabbing his foster son with a pitchfork.

Attorney-General Bowser, of British Columbia, will appeal against Chief Justice Hunter's decision against the Natal act.

Two charges of illegal liquor selling have been laid against the proprietor of the Columbia Hotel, arising out of the Ferguson case.

The Japanese who turned out to say farewell to Consul Morioka at Vancouver, cheered "rah! rah! rah!" instead of "banzai."

Marie Pottori, of Montreal, was shot to death by her husband. The husband is under arrest, but claims the shooting was accidental.

Francis Cadaret, of Montreal, took poison to end his life, and to insure his purpose being carried out got into bed and turned on the gas.

Rev. J. V. Smith, of Toronto, has accepted a call to Centenary Methodist Church, Hamilton, subject to the approval of the stationing committee.

J. V. Trickett and Gihlhar: Gibson, hotelkeepers, of Dresden, were fined \$25 and costs and \$10 and costs respectively for selling liquor to minors.

Police have to guard the Tecumseh park foot bridge, Chatham, to save pedestrians from being snowed by Collegiate Institute students every noon.

There are 20 Yankee commercial travelers in the British West Indies to one Canadian traveler, says W. G. Farmales, of the Trade and Commerce Department.

LEADERS CROSS SWORDS TODAY

Wind Up of Debate Over Speech in Sight and Legislature Will Get Busy.

(Special to The Advertiser).

Toronto, Feb. 25.—The Legislature yesterday afternoon took a breathing spell before settling down today to the hearing of the conclusion of the debate on the speech from the throne, which should mark the cessation of the easy-going methods which have so far characterized the session, and the beginning of the real work for which the House is called together. There will undoubtedly be a large attendance in the galleries to hear the two leaders cross swords. Corridor gossip yesterday credited Opposition Leader MacKay with having a temperance pronouncement up his sleeve, but those in close touch with Hon. Mr. MacKay say that there is little likelihood of any definite statement along that line today. It is known, however, that a caucus of Liberal members, to be held this morning, will seriously consider the question of holding a provincial convention, at which the policy of the party on prohibition and other live issues would be decided upon.

Premier Whitney asked yesterday if the sitting today would run over into a night session, replied that so far as he was concerned his address would be brief.

The only item of business yesterday afternoon, outside of the routine presentation of petitions against the three-fifths local option clause, was the passing of the following motion, by Dr. Preston (Lanark), the Conservative whip:

"That there be laid before this House a return, showing the several commissions of all descriptions issued during the years 1902, 1903 and 1904, the purpose of each commission, the cost to the Province, together with the names of the several commissioners in each case."

This motion is designed to provide the Government's antidote against a similar return secured by Mr. D. C. Ross (West Middlesex), showing the number of commissions issued by the present Government.

Mr. Lemoine gave notice of motion of a bill to amend the Ontario architects act.

EARL GREY, LICENSE HOLDER

Finds That Value of One of His Houses Goes Up.

London, Feb. 24.—An interesting incident connected with Earl Grey is related here apropos of the new licensing bill. The Northumberland magnate granted one of his houses license.

Earl Grey found that this fact increased its value £10,000. This is described as the commencement of his attention to the question of disinterested management of public houses.

West Canadian Deep Leads is formed with £75,000 capital to acquire the option of purchase of the Moxley mining lease at Cariboo.

A sixteenpenny orange-vermilion Newfoundland stamp of 1890 sold for £13 5s, a record price.

DEGREE OF M. A.

Secured by Miss Jessie Rowat, of This City, at Chicago University.

Her numerous friends in this city will be pleased to hear that Miss Jessie Rowat, B.A., of this city, who has been attending Chicago University since she graduated from the Western University in this city in 1906, has been most successful in her examinations recently, and has attained the degree of M. A.

FROM PERSIAN OIL FIELDS

Return of Mr. Woolsey, of Petrolia—Death of Twins.

Petrolia, Feb. 24.—Mrs. McNaughton, who has been ill for more than a month, is convalescing.

Miss Maggie Crozier and Miss Rebecca Mott are attending the millinery openings in Toronto.

Rev. Mr. Dowling has returned from Campbellford, where he was assisting the pastor for three weeks in evangelistic work.

Miss Sadie Dunfield, of Harpers' Hospital, Detroit, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. (Dr.) Dunfield.

The friends of Mrs. J. M. Oatman will be pleased to learn that she is recovering from her severe illness.

Mr. Andrew Woolsey, of Marthaville, arrived home on Sunday night from Persia, where he has spent the past two years in the oil business. Mr. Woolsey was forced to leave on account of ill-health. He reports the rest of the company doing splendidly.

Sympathy goes out towards Mr. and Mrs. Win. Salisbury, whose twin children died last week. Rev. Mr. Snell conducted the funeral service. Interment took place in the Hillside Cemetery.

Roy McNaughton has been the relieving agent at the G. T. R. station, South Parkdale, for a month.

A Sunday school conference of pastors, teachers and officers of the Strathroy district will be held in the Methodist Church, Petrolia on Wednesday, Feb. 25, 10 to 4 o'clock. Four important subjects will be discussed: "Better Teaching," "School Discipline," "Officers and Their Work," "Primary Methods." Rev. R. D. Hamilton will conduct the conference.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mrs. J. Miller, East End, Petrolia, on Wednesday, when her daughter, Mary, was united in marriage to Mr. C. E. Bowers, of Sarnia. Rev. Mr. Arnold officiated. The couple left for London and other points amid showers of rice and with the best wishes of a host of friends.

PILES

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Mr. George Lee, 35 Steiner St., Toronto, says: "For 8 years I suffered torture from blind, itching piles. During that time I believe almost everything in the line of ointments and salves was used, but in vain. The very first application of Zam-Buk gave me relief from that terrible itching, and a little perseverance with the balm brought about a complete cure. I have not been troubled again and it is now over six months since Zam-Buk was used. If this statement can be used for the benefit of other sufferers from this trouble, you are at liberty to publish it."

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KEEPING UP THE NAVAL STANDARD

The Estimates for British Army and Navy Show an Increase of \$3,000,000.

London, Feb. 24.—The estimates for the British defense forces for the current year which were issued today will disappoint the peace party, as, instead, as they have hoped, of showing a reduction, the combined estimates of the army and navy show an increase of \$3,000,000 without apparently any hope of any considerable diminution in the future.

Lord Tweedmouth, first lord of the admiralty, explains outright that the future programme of Great Britain will depend on whether foreign powers increase their naval forces, since the Government has every intention of maintaining the standard of the British navy, which, he thinks, has been deemed necessary for the safeguarding of national and imperial interests. The war secretary, Mr. Haldane, in a similar statement, regarding the army, says:

"Looking to the future, I am convinced that it is impossible to make further diminutions in the army except by a considerable scale, unless we first of all reduce the number of troops serving abroad. Garrisoning abroad, which has been reduced, will be reduced again, but whenever that can be safely done, but if reductions in the regular army are carried too far, demand will ultimately have to be made on the citizen forces such as hitherto has never been contemplated."

One New Dreadnought.

The army estimates for 1908-09 total \$154,133,720, and the navy secretary estimates for a total of 185,000 men in the home and colonial establishments, irrespective of India, a decrease of 5,000 men from last year.

The navy estimates total \$161,597,500, an increase of exactly the same amount as last year.

The agitation for economy has had some effect on the shipbuilding programme, which contemplates only one improved warship of the Dreadnought type, instead of the three expected.

The Government proposed to build one large armored cruiser, six fast, protected cruisers, sixteen torpedo-boat destroyers and some submarines. The number of the last-mentioned vessels is not given, but they are estimated to cost \$1,000,000.

In an explanatory statement, Lord Tweedmouth, the first lord of the admiralty, points out that an increase in expenditure is inevitable, but by the strictest economy he was able to confine it to \$4,500,000.

Lord Tweedmouth shows how a gradual and continuous diminution in the amount required for new construction, which was initiated in 1895, when it reached the maximum of \$57,500,000, was still possible, the amount being \$37,725,000, as compared with \$40,500,000 last year.

He announces the definite intention to proceed with the construction of a naval base at Rosyth, Scotland, which, in addition to having a basin capable of accommodating 22 warships, will include a depot for submarine and destroyer. The whole work, it is estimated, will occupy a decade in building and cost \$16,250,000.

Among the inevitable increases in expenditure, such as the increased cost of coal and provisions and the higher pay of the men, he mentioned the Curragh subsidy, for the Lusitania and Mauretania, which now stands at the full amount of \$750,000.

The naval estimates provide for exactly the same number of officers and men as last year.

On April 1 next the British navy will have under construction seven battleships, four armored cruisers, one unarmored cruiser, ten torpedo-boat destroyers, twenty torpedo boats and eight submarines.

New Zealand is hoping for much from the establishment of the flax-growing industry, for which the Imperial Parliament lately voted \$20,000. The experiment will begin in the early spring.

Hon. Adam Beck was one of the speakers at the board of trade banquet at Windsor last night, and declared that the Ontario Government would make good on the power question. Hon. Wm. Patterson and Hon. Dr. Reame were among the speakers.

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WOMAN VERSUS MAN

Spirited Debate at the Collegiate Literary Meeting.

Strathroy, Feb. 22.—Several "husbands" of the Methodist Epworth League went to Mount Carmel last night to take part in the league meeting there. The party reports a splendid time.

An open meeting of the Strathroy Collegiate Institute Literary Society was held Friday night in the assembly room, which was nearly filled. The meeting opened with an instrumental solo by Miss Freddie Millard, which was much appreciated. Principal Kerr was chairman, and his address was well received. The evening edition of the Golden Age was read by Miss Bertha Johnson. This paper is the work of the senior third, and the second form, and was much enjoyed.

Then came the debate, on the proposition, "Resolved, that woman has influenced civilization more than man." The affirmative side was taken by representatives of the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club, Roy Milliken and Milton McCubbin. Those who took the negative side were George Patterson and A. E. Hill, who represented the school. All the speakers were well received, and acquitted themselves creditably. The judges were Rev. Mr. Priest, the new Baptist minister, Mr. H. C. Pope and Mr. A. E. Kindler. The judges gave their decision in favor of the negative.

While the judges were in consultation Mr. E. Baskerville sang a very beautiful solo.

The evening edition of the Lightening Bug Dispatch was read by Miss Sadie Thomas. The Dispatch, which is the rival of the Golden Age, is the work of the fourth, junior third and first forms. A vote of thanks was tendered to the debaters and those who took part in the programme. The Glee Club gave a selection entitled "Captain Willie Brown," and the meeting closed with the singing of "God Save the King."

CHURCH DESTROYED.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—City View Methodist Church, five miles from the city, was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The edifice was erected two years ago, at a cost of \$4,000, and was insured for only half that amount. Rev. H. A. Young, the pastor, says the congregation will rebuild. The fire started from the furnace in the basement.

JAPS NOT RELEASED

Are Held Under the Dominion Government Regulations—Must Show Passport.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 24.—The two Japanese released under the decision of Chief Justice Hunter that the Natal act, in view of the Japanese treaty, does not apply to Japanese, are still held under the Dominion immigration. One will be deported failing to show a passport direct. The other will be given the opportunity to prove his claim of former residence which would entitle him to remain.

It has just come to light that Mrs. Anna B. Allen, a divorced wife of Charles Julius Guitau, who assassinated President Garfield in 1881, is living in Omaha.

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