

CONGO STATE

NOT YET SETTLED

Will Take Steps to Carry Out Berlin Treaty.

April 16.—The discussion on the annexation of the dependent state began in the House of Deputies, which was called on for a vote on the Congo state, and the clearing up of preliminary questions.

ALARM FOR BANK.

Little Danger in Commerce Institution at Vancouver.

April 15.—Shortly after 8 p.m. the caretaker of the Bank of Commerce discovered an outbreak of fire in the basement of smoke rolled up and bank and the sight of it through the windows attracted a crowd.

CONDITIONS SHOWN

IN BANK STATEMENT

April 15.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained today at 3 per cent. The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following: Total reserves decreased, £2,000,000; circulation increased, £222,000; deposits, £1,879,700; other securities, £247,000; other deposits, £2,200,000; public deposits, £562,000; notes reserve, £2,153,000; government securities, £1,100,000.

NOTE BETWEEN COMPANIES.

April 16.—Jas. Ross, president Dominion Coal Company, who is in London in consultation with President of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, regarding a settlement of the dispute between the companies, issued a statement last night to the effect that a start had been made towards an adjustment of the difficulties, and that he had no reason to believe there would be any further delay.

FIGHT FOR

NAME "PRINCE RUPERT"

Townsite Purchased for \$200,000—To Be Developed Immediately.

COVENANT

April 16.—Capt. Matthew Gault, of Vancouver, and Dr. J. W. Winnie, of Winnipeg, have purchased the Grand Trunk Pacific terminus, George T. Kane. They claim the agreement has no power to change the name of their town because it happens to be a rival of the railway town, they will take the matter to the courts. The consideration of the deal is \$200,000. Wharves will be built and a town laid off immediately.

"WILLIE" IS FINED AGAIN.

Prince Rupert, April 11.—The provincial medical association will be declared in default one of these days. Willie, a Chinese who claims to be a doctor, was arrested last week at Port Moody for practicing medicine without a license. He paid a fine of \$50, which is the third time he has paid in the last month. The other fines were imposed at Prince Rupert for doctoring Indians at Metlakatla.

GIVE PROMISE OF REDUCTIONS

UNDERWRITERS AND SALT WATER SYSTEM

Insurance Men Pledge Themselves to Cut Rates on the Installation.

That the installation of a salt water pressure system for fire protection, to provide for which the ratepayers are being asked to pay \$70,000 on Thursday, means a reduction in insurance rates in Victoria, is the assurance given the city in black and white by the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' Association in a letter received by Mayor Hall this morning.

FARMERS, BACKBONE OF PROSPERITY

British Commercial Agent in U. S. Predicts Recovery From Industrial Stagnation.

London, April 14.—Seymour Bell, commercial British agent in the United States, in a report for 1907 which has been issued by the board of trade, takes a hopeful view of the future. He says the farmers, who form the backbone of American prosperity, have not been affected by the financial crisis and that the country's producing crops valued at nearly \$7,500,000,000.

CASTRO'S LATEST MOVE.

Caracas, Sunday, April 12. Via Wilhelmstadt, April 14.—The Venezuelan government has entered suit against A. H. Garner, former receiver of the New York and Bermuda Asphalt Company, to compel him to render an account of his four years' administration of the sequestered property.

NEGRO OUTRAGE.

Birmingham, Ala., April 13.—A South Bessemer electric car was held up by a negro highwayman beyond Powderly shortly after midnight yesterday. A sheriff's posse is hurrying to the scene.

"I AM AN ANARCHIST."

Toronto, April 14.—In a lecture at the Labor temple, Berkeley, the anarchist, declared that Cy Warman, the author, was another anarchist. Interviewed at the King Edward hotel, Mr. Warman said: "Yes, I am an anarchist."

BANKERS ADVERSE TO CURRENCY BILL

Say Panic Signs Have Passed—No Need for Emergency Measure.

Washington, April 14.—The Aldrich financial bill, as passed by the Senate, was passed without a dissenting vote by speakers before the House committee which is considering the measure. The exception of Chas. C. Glover, president of the Riggs National Bank, of this city, none of those who spoke today favored the passage at this time of an emergency measure. The sentiment was almost unanimous that if a permanent financial bill cannot become a law no attempt should be made to amend the present laws. The speakers who followed Mr. Glover, representing interests in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Richmond, Va., took issue with his claims that financial conditions had not improved, and said they saw no signs of an impending panic.

WANTED IN ALASKA

Those Going Will Be Paid \$5 a Day and Board.

DEATH OF WILLIE EDOUN.

London, April 14.—Willie Edoun, the English actor, is dead. He had been in failing health since his return from America. He was born in Brighton in 1841.

BIG WAGE REDUCTION

Nearly 50,000 Cotton Operatives Are Affected by Move.

Boston, Mass., April 12.—A wage reduction averaging ten per cent. went into effect to-day in the cotton yards and thread mills in New England and New York state, employing a total of 45,000 operators. Since the beginning of the general wage reduction movement in March, the pay of 152,500 mill hands has been cut. Of this number 141,000 are employed by New England and 11,500 in New York state factories.

IRISH LORDS FOR HARVARD.

Cambridge, Mass., April 12.—Two young Irish lords are to come to Harvard for a course of study. Later they will study at Oxford. They are Lord Beckville and Lord William Taylor. They are at present studying under a tutor.

\$4,750 FOR A KISS.

Landlord Who Gave Love Token to His Fair Tenant Finds It Costly.

Duluth, Minn., April 14.—Mrs. Olga Bergerman, of Kibbing, yesterday got a verdict of \$4,750 for a kiss. This is a record for the great match to-morrow at the first trial.

FLOCKING TO OKANAGAN.

Vernon, April 12.—Hundreds of people are coming into the Okanagan district this spring. The great train from the East coast of people are arriving, and the hotels at Vernon and other of the centres of the district are overcrowded.

ICE BREAKING UP.

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MADMAN RUNS AMUCK IN LADYSMITH ENVIRONS

Brandishing Axe He Chases Everyone in Sight—Narrow Escapes.

Ladysmith, April 14.—A sad affliction befell a rancher named Kenyon, who has some land a mile or two out of the city. For some weeks he has been rather strange in his manner and behavior; yesterday he became a raging maniac. Armed with an axe he chased everybody he came across. By good fortune Kenyon is a cripple, owing to an accident he sustained in the mine some years ago, or else an awful tragedy might have been enacted. A tragedy might have been enacted. A tragedy might have been enacted. A tragedy might have been enacted.

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BEST WAY TO EXCLUDE ASIATICS

SIR WILFRID WRITES TO VANCOUVER LEAGUE

Hindus Can Be Regulated as Successfully as Japanese.

Vancouver, April 14.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has written to Secretary Gordon Grant, of the Asiatic Exclusion League, that he does not think the best way to reach the object the exclusionists have in view is by legislation on the Australian plan. He thinks the regulation of Hindus will be accomplished in the same successful way as in the case of the Chinese and Japanese.

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ORE SHIPMENTS.

Shipments Which Passed Through Kalso For Trail Smelter.

Table with columns: Ore, Tons. Whitewater, concentrator, 20674; Whitewater, Deep, concentrator, 2274; Rambler, crude ore, 178; Ruth, crude ore, 40; Reco, crude ore, 20; Soco Soregren, crude ore, 20; Ferguson Mines (at Sampler), 60. Total, 548.

TRANSCONTINENTAL ROAD.

Ottawa, April 13.—The part of the government section of the Transcontinental under contract will cost \$44,389,293, the part to be constructed will cost \$19,959,173, making the cost of the entire section \$64,348,466.

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ARMADA TO HAVE ROUND OF GAITY

BATTLESHIPS AGAIN IN THEIR HOME WATERS

Merrymaking to Be Order of Day at California Ports.

San Diego, Cal., April 14.—Its long and notable cruise through the southern seas and the changing climes of the western hemisphere ended, the United States battleship fleet, now under the immediate command of Rear Admiral Charles N. Thomas, returns to home waters to-day. It will cast anchor off Coronado beach this afternoon at 1 o'clock and the four days of the scheduled stay of the battle ships will be marked by a ceaseless round of gaiety.

AMERICANS WIN.

Vienna, April 14.—Both the American chess experts were successful yesterday in the 16th round of the international chess masters' tourney. Marshall won from Suetthin and Johnner defeated Swiderski. Schlechter is still in the lead.

ARREST IN MANOR

MURDER MYSTERY

Man Captured in Indiana is Suspected of Brutal Crime.

NEW S. LEGISLATURE.

Revenue Shows Surplus of Nearly \$100,000—Coal Royalties Yield.

WHILE BETRAYS HIM.

Huntington, Ind., April 13.—The police recently captured Frank Monato, long wanted in Pelham for the alleged murder of Julius Rosenheim. Monato appeared here several weeks ago and caused his wife to be arrested for living with an Italian laborer. The woman and her paramour were sent to jail in retaliation Monato's wife said that her husband was wanted for a murder in New York state. A photograph was sent to Pelham Manor and the police of that place ordered Monato to be held. The facts transpired last night.

CARDINAL LOGUE TO VISIT.

Dublin, April 14.—Cardinal Michael Logue, Roman Catholic primate of all Ireland, is expected to visit New York, where he will attend the centennial celebration of the New York diocese.

COUNTERFEITING POLE.

Quebec, April 14.—United States secret service detectives, aided by provincial detectives and police, have arrested a Pole named Pallackos at Camp Murdoch, twenty miles from St. Viller, Bellechasse county, on the charge of counterfeiting at Elizabeth, N. J. Two of Pallackos' pals were arrested, pleaded guilty and were sentenced, but Pallackos, who was the principal party, fled to Canada.

HAS RUSSIA GAINED DIPLOMATIC VICTORY?

America to Cease Interfering With Development Plans in Manchuria.

AMERICAN STANDPOINT.

The interview was entirely satisfactory on both sides. From the Russian standpoint it was made plain to Secretary Root that the local Russian officials in Harbin were deserving of support in their efforts to rehabilitate that important trade centre and resume the execution of the ambitious plans that had been formed by the Russian government for the development of the city before the war with Japan.

FOR EASTER RECESS.

London, April 14.—After sitting to-day in parliament adjourned until April 25th for the Eastern recess.

TO MEET DOOM OF ANARCHISTS

THREE MUST DIE FOR MADRID BOMB OUTRAGES

Heavy Sentences on Those Who Tried to Kill King Alfonso.

Barcelona, April 14.—Sentences were handed down to-day upon Jean Rull and his accomplices who were found guilty yesterday of complicity in the recent series of bomb explosions and anarchist outrages in connection with the attempted assassination of King Alfonso at Madrid.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATS.

Followers of Wm. J. Bryan Will Fight for Recognition of Their Leader.

NEW YORK, APRIL 14.—A lively convention is predicted for the Democrats to-day. With a Supreme court junction hanging over the heads of the state committee to prevent the ousting of Senator Patrick H. McCarran's delegate from the sixteen contested districts in Kings county, the prospect of a lively fight by the followers of Wm. J. Bryan to secure recognition for their leader and an instructed delegation in his behalf to the national convention in Denver, and bitter contests in several assembly districts to be decided by the committee on credentials, the outlook was that the proceedings would be marked by sharp contests and exciting debates.

CASUALTY ON SPORTING FIELD.

Ground Keeper at Pennsylvania Varsity is Laid Low by a 16-Pound Hammer.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., APRIL 14.—Wm. Renwick, popularly known as "Scotty," the ground keeper at the university of Pennsylvania, was struck on the head by a 16-pound hammer, and probably fatally injured.

BAPTIST DISSENTION.

Woodstock Pastor Resigns—Dissatisfaction Over Affairs of Church.

30 CHINESE UNDER ARREST.

Regina, April 14.—Thirty Chinese have been arrested in a raid. The police found a considerable quantity of crude opium on the premises.

BELIEVES THAT HE CREATED THE WORLD

Strange Hallucination of Insane Son of Ira D. Sankey.

NEW YORK, APRIL 14.—The "American" says to-day: Suffering from the delusion that he is not only the world's greatest man but its actual creator, John E. Sankey, son of Ira D. Sankey, the famous revivalist, has been declared insane. Mr. Sankey's mind became apparently unbalanced several weeks ago and he was sent to a sanatorium for observation.

PHYSICIANS AND ATTENDANTS FROM THE INSTITUTION TOLD THE COURT BEFORE WHICH THE QUESTION OF HIS MENTAL CONDITION WAS BEING TRIED THAT SANKEY WAS CONTINUALLY RAVING OVER HIS MYTHICAL POSSESSIONS AND HIS SUPERIOR QUALITY. JOHN SANKEY WAS ONE OF THE OWNERS OF THE ORLEANS HOTEL ON COLUMBUS AVENUE. HIS FATHER, NOW TOTALLY BLIND, IS LIVING IN RETIREMENT IN BROOKLYN.