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## THE COOK CHARGES.

The Investigation Closed With Ritchie's Speech Today.

OTTAWA, April 24.—In the senate this evening Mr. Blake delivered his address in defence of those accused in the Cook case.

In summing up, Mr. Blake said that looking at the course from which the charge comes and the evidence depends, it is absolutely unreliable. There was no honor, no sense of right, no truth, no regard for either the living or the dead, and after four years the friends who had stood fast by him are attacked by him and everything most private and confidential is presented for the purpose. Cook stood in the position of an informer. The books said an informer was a person who was infamous, one who peaches on him whom he calls his accomplice. Cook was lost to all sense of decency. He invaded the grave, he knew no privilege and sought to make public all that which among men of honor was held most sacred. Let us leave him to the infamy to which he has consigned himself, and which he so very richly deserves. The committee then adjourned until tomorrow, when Mr. Ritchie, counsel for the senate, will sum up.

OTTAWA, April 25.—Mr. Ritchie closed the Cook investigation before the senate committee this morning. While he did not feel disposed to connect Laurier with the transaction, he called attention to the important evidence introduced against Laurier, and introduced evidence which had no bearing on the case. Dandurand made a strong protest against Ritchie being allowed to deal with the evidence. The committee will not make the evidence into consideration before printed copies are furnished.

## CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

Empress India left Hong Kong for Vancouver at noon yesterday.

The claims that Japan will make upon China for indemnities amount to \$2,750,000 sterling.

A violent dust storm visited Mandalay, India, Tuesday, and was followed by a terrible rain storm. Twelve lives were lost and great destruction was wrought.

Chas. Lewis, a prominent farmer and cattle broker of Lovell, Va., committed suicide yesterday by drinking cyanide acid. He was ill and despondent.

A slight earthquake shock was felt yesterday afternoon at Lisbon, and a violent shock was experienced at Algiers, during which several persons were thrown from their beds.

Elder-Dempster & Co.'s steamer Montreal, under charter of the British government, cleared at New Orleans for Cape Town yesterday, with 1,000 horses.

Despatches from Cape Town and Sydney, N. S. W., this morning report the appearance of a brilliant comet.

Early today a fire was discovered in the Dallas, Texas, opera house. In an hour the roof fell in and the front and side walls collapsed. Loss \$100,000.

Admiral Remy, with his flagship the Brooklyn has arrived at Sydney en route for Melbourne, where he will participate in the exercises at the opening of the first federal parliament of Australia, from May 6 to May 8.

The rate of discount of the Bank of Bengal, India, was increased from 6 to 7 per cent today.

Charles Templeton, representing himself as a horse buyer and agent of the British government, was arrested at Delaware, Ohio, today, charged with swindling farmers. He had in his possession a certified check for \$2,825 on a bank at Fulton, Mo.

## WILL NOT DROP COAL TAX.

LONDON, April 25.—Replying to a numerous and influential deputation representing coal owners, miners, shipowners and merchants today, assembled to protest against the export duty on coal, the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, declared he had no intention of dropping the coal tax. He had already admitted that there ought to be some exemption in the cases of existing contracts and thought that on the second reading of the budget bill he ought to be in a position to announce the terms upon which exemption would be given.

## ONLY AN ABSURD RUMOR.

LONDON, April 25.—The vice-president of the Grand Trunk railroad authorities a denial of a report telegraphed to New York from Montreal that negotiations are on for the consolidation of the Canadian Pacific railway, the Grand Trunk and the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co.

## DISHONEST AMERICAN SOLDIERS.

MANILA, April 25.—Commissary Sergt. John Weston has been sentenced to be dishonorably discharged and to two years imprisonment for commissary frauds. The sentence of the other sergeants and clerks similarly implicated will probably be greater. Lieut. William Patterson, of the Coast Artillery, formerly a Philadelphia lawyer, is to be tried by court martial for misappropriating the company's funds.

## TANNER'S FUNERAL.

LONDON, April 25.—The remains of Charles K. D. Tanner were interred today in New York from Montreal that the nationalists were entirely excluded from the ceremony, owing to a disagreement with Dr. Tanner's sister. The latter privately advanced the ceremony two hours, leaving the nationalists who assembled in great numbers to discover that the interment was long over. Numbers later visited the grave, on which wreaths from Thomas Sexton and others were deposited.

Charles Williams went to Sussex today in the interest of the International Correspondence School.

## THE ORANGEMEN.

Strong Resolutions on Coronation Oath—A. D. Thomas Elected Grand Master.

CAMPBELLTON, April 24.—The Orange Grand Lodge today passed a resolution of regret at the death of the late Queen Victoria, and another pledging unwavering loyalty to King Edward VII. With respect to the coronation oath the following was adopted:

"Whereas a resolution has passed the House of Commons of Canada, wherein there is expressed, purporting to be the wish of the electorate of this country, that the imperial government eliminate from the coronation oath certain passages which were in the wisdom of our fathers, made a part of the constitution of the British empire;

"And, whereas, we believe that such a resolution is in violation of the jurisdiction of the Canadian parliament and an undue interference in a matter which comes exclusively within the jurisdiction of the imperial parliament; and moreover that such a resolution does not express the wish of the majority of the Canadian people and is a false statement and misrepresentation of our feelings in the eyes of the empire;

"And, whereas, this order stands for Protestantism, for the loyalty which all true Protestants so freely give and for the maintenance of the constitution for which our fathers gave their best blood;

"And, whereas, we deplore the all too apparent fact that there is written in great fatal type across the face of this country that we are in danger of letting the control of affairs come into the hands of those who seek to undermine and eventually throw off the rule of the empire in this, her premier colony, that we are drifting all too quickly to the brink of the temporal affairs of this dear land will be guided by the voice of 'Rome';

"Therefore, resolved, that the right worshipful Grand Lodge of New Brunswick place on record its complete disapproval of such resolutions as a retrogressive step and one that indicates the outcropping wedge of Roman domination and that we commend for his loyal fight against the evil thing, our worthy chief, Hon. N. Clarke Wallace and the brethren who stand with him, that it may be resorted to in all the world that, as for this order, it stands always for Protestantism, the constitution and the empire."

All these resolutions were unanimously adopted by a standing vote.

A considerable general business was transacted.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Bros. Alward, Wallace and Palmer, acting as scrutineers;

Philip Palmer, senior deputy grand master;

Wm. Wyse, junior deputy grand master;

Rev. A. F. Brown, grand chaplain;

Neil J. Morrison, grand secretary;

Philip Heine, grand treasurer;

G. A. Blair, grand lecturer;

Jas. W. Clark, grand director of ceremonies;

D. H. Charters, grand deputy grand secretary;

Revs. G. C. Blakeney, and J. E. Flewelling, deputy grand chaplains.

After the installing ceremonies and the passing of a number of formal resolutions, grand lodge closed his session about midnight.

## THE CHECK REIN.

What St. John Horsemen Have to Say About It.

The Canadian S. P. C. A. has commenced a vigorous war against the use of the check-rein and in this connection cites the opinion of several of the world's leading veterinary surgeons, who pronounce the use of the over head check-rein, when tightly applied, to be painful and irritating to horses, productive of disease and a hindrance to the employment of the full strength of the animals. The society has issued an appeal to citizens to discard this objectionable piece of harness.

This matter has been brought up time and again, but so far no very great reforms have been accomplished. The check-rein is used chiefly for the purpose of giving the horse a more stylish appearance, by holding up his head, and for making him more easily controlled. When an animal tries to run away, the object most desired by the driver is to prevent him from getting his head down, as if that should be the case, he would be almost beyond control. On horses drawing any heavy load the rein is never used, as it certainly would prevent the full exercise of strength as claimed by the S. P. C. A., but in the lighter carriages the use of a horse's strength is not necessary, and the rein does not accomplish any undesired object.

With reference to the statement that it is productive of disease, old horsemen say that this is only the case when the rein is very tight, and when the horse has a habit of tossing his head about, in which latter case the rein tends to break the habit. Owners of horses find the check-rein a useful and in this city it is generally used, and has been as far back as any of them remember. The lively men here say that if the S. P. C. A. wish to do anything in this matter they should attend to the cases where the rein is used improperly or cruelly used and not make a general assault on what has been and will continue to be an assistance to all drivers.

## THE PRICE OF LOGS.

A man from a short distance up river was in town this week seeking to dispose of some spruce logs. He found several prospective buyers and got equal to \$10 per thousand for the lot, delivered here. This is a good price. At Springhill, above Fredericton, the bank logs are bringing \$9.50, which is also a good paying figure.

## GOLD FOR DROSS.

It is Alleged \$8,000,000 Has Been Sunk in an Alleged Gold Mine.

BOSTON, April 25.—The Post says: Neale McPeck, senior member of the firm of McPeck & Co., stock brokers, late yesterday afternoon brought an action for conspiracy against Randolph Sutherland, a prominent Boston attorney, in the sum of \$25,000. Behind this action is a story which, if true, means that about \$8,000,000 of the public's money has been swallowed up in a gold mine that did not pan out. The Post further says that the mine is the "Fortune." Twelve thousand stockholders are said to have lost all they put in. C. B. Boynton, a wealthy paper manufacturer of New York, is reported to have sunk \$40,000. The mining properties of the company have been known by four separate and distinct names, the Fortuna, the La Republica, the Fortuna Republica and the Consolidated Fortuna Republica. The properties are located in Ensenada, Mexico, (Lower California).

## ENGLAND AND PROTECTION.

LONDON, April 24.—Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, speaking this evening in London, severely criticized the budget of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, predicting that a system of protection would eventually result from the introduction of the new imports.

## FIGHTING WITH BOXERS.

PEKIN, April 24.—The international detachment of 800 men under Col. Radford, which left Shan Hai Kwan to punish the force of Boxers and robbers that recently attacked the Indian troops, killing Major Browning, met the enemy in force, killing fifty. Of the international detachment six British, two Japanese and one Frenchman were killed. The enemy fled into the mountains, but will be closely pursued. The body of Major Browning was recovered.

## VILLAINOUS IF TRUE.

LONDON, April 25.—"It is reported," says the Daily Chronicle this morning, "that the British agent in New Orleans has discovered that Boer agents employed as cattlemen, have infected horses destined for South Africa with glanders and other diseases." The Daily Chronicle refers to the report as "incredible."

## STEEL CO. CHANGES.

SYDNEY, N. S., April 24.—It is rumored that the Nova Scotia Steel company propose moving their workshops nearer the pit at Sydney mines. At present they are situated over a mile from the mine, and the inconvenience is great. It is also their intention to remove their steam hammer to New Glasgow.

## THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Ont., April 25.—Moderate to fresh easterly to northeasterly winds, cloudy to fair with a few showers. Friday, about the same.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Forecast: Eastern states and northern New York—Partly cloudy tonight; Friday, fair; fresh northerly to westerly winds. Western New York—Partly cloudy tonight; Friday, fair, fresh northerly winds.

## LATE LOCALS.

The Halifax Amateur Opera Co. arrived in the city on the Quebec express.

W. T. Lunney arrived today from Montreal to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Thos. Lunney.

W. J. Cox, C. E., who served in the Boer war as sergeant major in the South African Light Horse, is in town. Before the war started Mr. Cox was building a railway in the Transvaal. He intends returning to South Africa to continue his work in engineering. Mr. Cox's home is in Maudgerville.

This morning's International line steamer bore away some three or four ladies of the demi-monde, who had of late been inhabiting a resort on Britannia street, near Reed's Point. Many of their friends were on hand to bid them a fond farewell. Their absence will be all the more felt, as their departure was a hurried one.

The concert given by the Canadian Jubilee Singers a few nights ago in Chatham was regarded as the musical event of the winter. These singers will be in the Exmouth street church on the 6th of May, and all who wish to enjoy a concert of a very high order ought to be there. See adv. in today's Star.

The concert to be given by the Y. M. C. A. orchestra in Trinity church school room on Friday evening, the 28th instant, promises to be a great success. Among those who will take part in the programme are Miss Ethel Fanjoy, Miss Munro, M. L. Harrison, Ernest R. Williams, pianolist; Prof. L. W. Tice, Harold Williams (saxophone), Harry Brown, and the St. Andrew's male quartette. The concert is in aid of the Y. M. C. A. boy's branch.

## NINE HUNDRED IMMIGRANTS.

This morning two trains, one with ten passenger cars, the other with eight, passed through the city, carrying nine hundred Galician immigrants to their new homes in western Canada. The crowd did not differ materially from the usual lot of Galicians who have come this way. They all look as if a voyage under water, with a cake of soap as a life preserver, would do them good. If they hurry up they will probably be included in the census as good Canadian citizens.



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## RUSSIAN DESPOTISM.

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