

# SOUTH AFRICAN UNION MIRACLE, SAYS LEMIEUX

Minister Tells Canadian Club His Impressions of Recent Visit.

No more brilliant speech has been delivered before the Canadian Club than the masterly review of the South African situation with which Hon. Joseph Lemieux, the postmaster-general, favored the members yesterday. His loyalty was not paraded, but it pervaded every sentence. Admiration was the allusion to the union of the conflicting races in Africa, as on a par with those in Canada, one of which had killed the other on the plains of Abraham, while it had itself been conquered 1000 years before by the same foe at Hastings. We are in the heart of the matter, says Mr. Lemieux, now was the suggestion. Mr. Lemieux anticipated the union of the British and Dutch as a result of joint action on the racial questions of Hindu immigration and native labor.

Sir Wm. Mulock, Senator Kerr, W. R. Brock and Prof. W. R. Brock were among the guests. Sir James Whitney said he was glad to see Mr. Lemieux in an atmosphere of such cordiality. "My dear Mr. Lemieux, I had promised myself to attend the Canadian Club today, but find that I cannot attend. I regret this very much, for more reason than one. I have no doubt as to your audience; no doubt as to the reception you will get, and still less doubt as to the truth of the facts you set forth. Yours faithfully, J. S. Whitney."

Mr. Lemieux's Mission. "The chairman and fellow countrymen of the Canadian Club," he began, "I came to Toronto not to establish reciprocity of trade—an enthusiastic word, but to promote reciprocity of good feelings between Ontario and Quebec. He was specially pleased to see Sir Wm. Mulock, and he continued to be so after the ceremony at Capetown, where he was the first official tripartite, and he observed that their group was the best attended by the ladies of South Africa."

The latest miracle of British diplomacy was Mr. Lemieux's characterization of the South African Union. If the old man Paul Kruger could rise from his grave and see the names of those who had been his enemies, he would not be able to believe himself alive. Racism Vanishing. While racism was not altogether stamped out, he believed in a few years it would have disappeared. In 1905, after the war, there had been two conflicting ideas, highest British standard of freedom, justice, and liberty; and that of the old 17th century, which was a paternalistic system, which the company may have to obtain and to carry out with complete success. Economic rivalries had formerly been overshadowed. Taxation direct in one colony, was indirect in others. The railway rates in the colonies were all been conspiring against the hinterland, conspiring for protection, while the hinterland was free trade. Durban and Cape Town hoped to reap magnificent rewards from the development of trade.

The natural outlet of South Africa is Cape Town at one end, and Durban at the other. The Transvaal looked to Delagoa Bay. Speaking of that bay he ventured to predict that at a not distant day, Britain would acquire it wholly, as they now possessed the trade. South Africa had adopted the principle of state railways, and the colonies on the coast were disposed to increase their claims on the railways of the hinterland. Delagoa Bay, Durban and Cape Town were the three great outlets, and the question how to route the lines, with the urgent necessity of the colonies in view, was the problem.

Lord Milner, in 1905, feared that the Dutch might be tempted to a policy of pooling all the interests. The railway system and the customs system should be one, and ultimately political union might be achieved. In 1905 the Transvaal gave notice of the abrogation of the customs union. In 1908 the delegates met to discuss the matter; but it was shortly found that nothing could be done on those lines, and a national convention was called. Gen. Smuts pointed out that there were a million of whites against eight or nine million blacks. He suggested that they pool their patriotism, as well as their fiscal policies. Without Historical Parallel. "We speak without emotion of the event of 1908 in South Africa," he said, but he thought it might well be compared with the adoption of the constitution at Versailles in the revolution. Rt. Hon. Arthur Balfour stated that the event was without parallel in history.

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W. W. CORY. Minister of the Interior. Authorized publication of the report will not be paid for.

# PORCUPINE GOLD CAMP

CLAIMS CHANGE HANDS  
IN NORTHERN WHITNEY

Shuffling of Properties in Northern Part of Porcupine—Laidley Claims Options.

PORCUPINE CITY, Feb. 24.—(From Our Man Up North.)—The Musgrove has moved into the limelight with a vengeance. The closing up of the second payment on the Hughes, the taking over of the Mulholland by Edwards and the placing of a \$200,000 option on the Laidley, to the east of the Hughes, to a Geneva, New York, syndicate, has wrought changes of the kaleidoscopic nature in this section. Edwards wires that he proposes to start work at once to open the veins and to show what the vein matter contains, while work of the same inspiring character goes steadily on under the Smith veteran, to the west of Tisdale.

The speaker's announcement that Edwards had taken an interest in the Mulholland comes the word that the Lewis Syndicate of Geneva, N. Y., composed of capitalists, has taken an option on the Laidley claim east of the Hughes for \$200,000, and that work is to start at once. Several thousand dollars will be spent in seeing what the claim contains.

R. C. Clarke, well known in Buffalo, to-day wired a price to the same syndicate on his claim to the east of Hughes and to the south of the Laidley. Mr. Clarke is also starting work on his own claims to the north. All this activity in Northern Whitney means that more veins will be uncovered, and with the uncovering of veins encouragement to others to do work to greatly enhance.

"I am satisfied that Northern Whitney will yet produce showings second to none in the camp," said Mr. Clarke, who arrived last evening. "That section contains veins of a rich character." Chas. Fox.

Canadian Club, generally remarked the speaker's statement. "It happens that the first prime minister of the union is Gen. Botha—fron of fortune," observed Mr. Lemieux with an eloquent gesture. Botha was the very embodiment of the slow tenacity of the Boers. He and Kitchener made the treaty of Vereeniging. He was not brilliant, but in public life the men who succeed were those who had solid sense at the back of their heads. Staunch loyalty was his attitude to the empire. He was in South Africa for the empire.

Mr. Lemieux confessed that he had been prejudiced against Dr. Jameson. "After meeting him I was captivated. I should say captivated, for he made no raid upon me," was one of the speaker's happy moments. Dr. Jim was a typical John Bull, with something of the vivacity of the Frenchman. Botha was the great lawyer of South Africa. Gen. Smuts, a Cambridge man, is probably the cleverest and ablest of the younger men. The framing of the constitution without his aid, he was in some sort the Hamilton of the period.

The South African Union was not a federal. The parliament and not the council could pass any legislation not repugnant to the acts of parliament, but parliament was a parliament of the high country, and Bloemfontein—when there are cases. "Is there not between the two nationalities sufficient respect to ignore party differences?" was Mr. Lemieux's comment on the French and English feeling. The French and English feeling was a parallel in South Africa. South Africa had the advantage of having no religious question, as the thought of the French and English language question, he believed in the survival of the fittest. The Taal in South Africa was not a national language, but a patois. The literature such as the French in Canada had.

The big problem of to-morrow was what to do with the immense population of blacks. They were an intelligent people and held the labor situation in their hands. The misadventures were doing more among the blacks than in Japan or elsewhere, and the education of these people was being carried on as England always carried it. Mr. Lemieux doubted if there would be any immigration to South Africa. There were no crown lands there, and the cheap, docile and good labor of the blacks. He believed the salvation of the South African Union was the annexation of Rhodesia. Asiatic immigration was another problem. There were 125,000 Hindus in Natal, with 100,000 whites and 800,000 blacks. The Hindus were monopolizing the small trades and were draining South Africa in many ways. These were problems he believed would be gradually solved. The best of the Dutch and the British.

A DISGRACE TO THE NATION

Ministers' Protest Against Mormon Pictures on Plate for Battleship.

INTEREST IN MUSGROVE  
IS RAPIDLY WANING

Deep Snow Precludes Any Intimate Knowledge of District—Gold Values Are There.

PORCUPINE CITY, Feb. 24.—(From Our Man Up North.)—The Musgrove rush is about over and each day returning prospectors are bringing in samples of rock which were taken from the vein on the new Nelson find, made last October. Tellurides were not found and the old bogie so often raised to scare men into stampeding into an unbroken section has been again dispelled. However, some very handsome assays in gold have been obtained, running from \$70 to \$200.

Nothing new developed over the week-end to influence trading sentiment, and there was nothing in the Cobalt mining issues displayed an all-round appearance of firmness on the Toronto exchanges at the opening of the week, securities being in good demand and prices moving up fractionally in a number of instances where a special call for stocks was in evidence.

Trading continued of substantial volume, and a feature of the day was the comparatively large number of big blocks of stock which changed hands. Buyers, looking for much of their buying was for clients who would take the purchases of the market, and this in itself was taken as a factor altogether in favor of a resumption of the upward tendency.

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Strenuous buying of Cobalt Lake carried the stock up a further three points. The shares sold as high as 40 and held all but a point of the gain when profit-taking invaded the exchange. The shareholders met to-morrow (Tuesday), and will vote on the proposed reduction of the company's capitalization to \$3,500,000. It is expected that the financial statement will show cash on hand well in advance of last year's figures.

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# Small Advances Made by Cobalts Firmly Undertone To Market

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The verdict brought in attaches no blame to the members of the crew of train No. 5, which struck Cameron, but the railway company is declared to be negligent in maintaining a dangerous crossing. Cameron was driving westward to Komoka in a two-wheeled cart on the day of the fatality. The road crossed the track diagonally, and the train was running at a good rate of speed and threw horse and driver a considerable distance. Cameron was almost instantly killed, but the horse was unhurt. The crew did not know of the accident until a cushion from the rig was found on the pilot at Chatham.

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