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SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES EXPENSE

Dupont, treasurer, Dr. Holden; Mr. A. J. Kitch; veterinary surgeon, Dr. Hamilton; counsel, L. Cresswell; committee, Messrs. C. E. Rev. W. B. Allen, Justice C. E. Redfern and Rev. E. G.

S OF POINTS ON ISLAND COAST

ARATIONS FOR ANOTHER BUSY SEASON

Expert Surprised at Extent of Ore Outcrop—Good Hunting and Fishing.

Renewed, from where some of the timber in the world has been during the past season, is just now under way. The two companies engaged in the logging business are suspended operations, who spent the fine weather in making a study of the bottom of the coast, where there are a number of small islands, and have been seen carrying parties have been seen in evidence. The season seems on hand. While it is the close of a prosperous year, indications, however, that the year will witness greater activity in development. Syndicates are formed for more extensive working of the rich iron and copper.

ing companies are also planning a plant, and consequently in business, and residents are hoping the provincial government will carry out the improvements promised to the district. It is expected that the Japanese will be in the district, and it is very clear to provide more navigation in view of the growing number of the harbor every week.

her point of the interest on the West of this island, of which a correspondent writes the Times is Quatsino. The place has a remarkably fine and dry season has at last set in. Timber cruisers and surveyors engaged in the Quatsino Peninsula. They have had very favorable reports for their operations, and have good progress in selecting land for many. Residents on the Sound are encouraged by the prospect of saw mills being erected in the future.

ing prospects in the Quatsino district of sufficient importance to attract the attention of prominent mining Seattle, Tacoma and other points. A result of recent examinations of the Group—Comox, Superior and it is reported that work will be resumed on these properties. At present a tunnel is being driven at Edison, with every prospect of

deposit of zinc ore (blende) near a lake has just been visited by a party, who was surprised at the extent of the outcrop. prospecting is difficult in this district on account of the fallen timber and alpine country. There is, however, reason to believe that Quatsino is a better known in the future than now as a mining district.

A fishing and shooting resort Quatsino is to be better known. Trolling for salmon, and sea trout has an excellent report, especially on the coast.

of the timber cruisers had an encounter with a she bear and two cubs, came near being serious for the party, who was unarmed. The bear was shot by Mr. of Duncan, who could only save the animal was killed eight feet from the water. Messrs. Sherberg and West were fortunate in getting a bull bear to the water, and secured both skin and head.

is reported that several carcasses were found this summer, which were killed by the Indians, for their use. This should be prohibited, and in fact the government should not allow any more elk to be shot for five years, so as to prevent the extermination of this fine animal. Any fine trout have been caught this year. One caught at Victoria Falls is F. Best measured 28 inches. There are so abundant in the district that farmers have to build high fences to keep them out of their crops.

the sawmill formerly operated by the Company has been removed, and the part of the machinery removed. This drawback to the district, but the hope is to see a much larger mill built here, and the company is planning to establish other lines of private industry.

petition has been signed by all the residents and by two companies recommending the appointment of Mr. W. W. as stipendiary magistrate for the district. There is no court within fifty miles of the Sound.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE RUSSIANS

THIRTY THOUSAND MEN RECENTLY JOINED ARMY

Gen. Oku's Forces Lost About Five Thousand During Recent Battle—Captured Thirty-Four Guns.

Tokio, Oct. 20.—(Noon).—Reliable reports received from private sources confirm the losses of the Japanese left army during the recent battle at about 5,000.

The number of Russian dead is largely increased by the further discovery of bodies, notwithstanding the nighty reports by lantern light. The Russian forces have been reinforced by about 30,000 men of the 17th corps, a large portion of the 10th corps, and portions of the 5th and 6th Siberian corps, since recently arrived.

In all six divisions of the Russian army now confront the Japanese left army.

Heavy rains have impeded the movements of the opposing armies since October 17th.

ATTACKING PARTIES WERE ANNIHILATED.

With General Oku's left army at the front, Oct. 16, 4 p.m., via Tientsin (delayed in transmission). The Russian army, which was the heaviest blow yet struck the Russians by the Japanese, so far as loss of life is concerned. The Japanese buried 4,100 dead left in the Japanese trenches. Many Russian dead, but the shell fire of the retreating Russians prevents the Japanese from reaching them.

Conservative estimates place the Russian casualties at not less than 25,000. Probably many more dead are on the field in places not yet reached. The Japanese report their total casualties at a little over 3,000 killed and wounded.

The principal Russian casualties occurred in determined counter attacks on each village captured by the Japanese. The Russian attacking parties were in many cases entirely annihilated.

For the first time the Russians have met the Japanese on an equal footing, not having strong defensive positions to depend upon, and for the first time they attacked the Japanese in their own trenches.

The Russians everywhere fought bravely but they were unable to drive the Japanese out of their own positions against fierce charges.

Almost in every case the Russians retired from their positions at the first cannon shot, and then retreated to the Japanese left, the Japanese left army, with a front of about ten miles, moving forward, fighting over every inch of ground.

The final retreat of the Russians was almost a rout. The Japanese extreme left advanced, driving the remnant of the Russians back.

The Russians made a determined counter attack at Lamutun, with two regiments of infantry and two batteries of artillery. They were repulsed after a half hour's fighting, with heavy loss.

The Japanese left army during the past seven days' fighting has captured thirty-four guns, a large number of rifles and cartridges and one hundred prisoners. The strength of the Russians opposed to the left army were three corps and thirty companies of artillery. All but a very small part were new arrivals.

The Japanese soldiers were practically the same that fought before Liao Yang. Chinese report that heavy works are ready for the Russians along the Hun river.

The Japanese are undecided where the next stand will be made.

The operations of the right and centre armies are not obtainable.

SCOUTS EXAMINE JAPANESE POSITIONS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.—2 p.m.—The suspension of operations below Mukden continues. It is hinted in military circles that the next developments should be looked for eastward, but whether on the part of the Japanese or Russians is not revealed.

News has reached the war office of the reported annihilation of a Japanese battalion while recrossing the Taite river.

A dispatch from Gen. Sakharoff dated last night reports that all was quiet along the front yesterday, and that in spite of the foggy condition of the country roads, which are described as seas of mud, the Russian scouts continue to effect great enterprises in extrinsuing the Japanese positions. A detachment of two hundred Cossacks on Tuesday night reconnoitred the Japanese left southwestward along a line extending westward from the railroad, where it crosses Schill river, through the villages of Haltsantal, Tadshupin and Sandup, the latter fifteen miles west of the railroad. The Japanese sentinels had retired as the Cossacks rode rapidly along the line, but near Sandup the Cossacks unexpectedly ran into a well-entrenched Japanese force with machine guns. The latter opened fire on the Russians, killing many horses and mortally wounding Capt. Tuogonoff, but the Cossacks succeeded in getting away. Not one was killed on the field.

No statement is made to what is transpiring on the Russian left.

army captured near Langtoush six ammunition carts, 5,354 rifles, 4,920 rounds of field gun ammunition, 78,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, tents, clothing, sabres and implements.

Additional casualties of the centre army must reported are twelve officers killed and thirty wounded.

REPORTED CAPTURE OF JAP BATTALION.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.—A dispatch to the Bourse Gazette from Mukden, dated October 19th, says that on October 18th a detachment of the Russian vanguard on the west front surrounded a Japanese battalion and compelled it to lay down its arms.

THE BALTIC FLEET AGAIN AT ANCHOR.

Skagen, Denmark, Oct. 20.—The vessels of the Russian Baltic sea fleet arrived here this morning and anchored in the bay.

COAL AND PROVISIONS FOR BALTIC FLEET.

New York, Oct. 20.—A telegram to the Times from London states that the London Times Russian correspondent says the arrangements for coaling and provisioning the Baltic fleet have reached a very interesting stage and indicate the manner of its going to the Far East. The fleet is apparently to keep together until the coilers now off Odessa are picked up. It will then divide, the torpedo and small craft going via Suez and Aden to Singapore, and the large warships making for the Cape. The big Hamburg-American boats which have loaded and are loading Welsh coal at South Wales ports will, under the present arrangements, go in advance of the squadron, some to Aden and some to Zanzibar, to coal the vessels arriving by the Suez and Cape routes, and other German vessels will go straight to Singapore in order to coal the concentrated squadron when they arrive there.

The Cape route as the way by which the big ships will go is clearly indicated by such incidents as the purchase of the British steamer Maori King. This steamer recently arrived at Liverpool from the Cape, with about 80,000 pounds sterling worth of frozen meat. She has been interested without unloading by French intermediaries and sailed for the Cape with her cargo of meat. The Maori King is to be renamed L'Esperance, and her future use as a store boat for the Russian warships is not open to doubt.

RESIGNS POSITION ON COMMISSION

HON. A. G. BLAIR MADE ANNOUNCEMENT TO-DAY

Expressed Regret at Parting With His Colleagues—Japanese Navy is Using Comox Coal.

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—At the close of the railway commission in session, Hon. A. G. Blair announced his intention of resigning his position. He said that it would be the last session of the commission at which he should occupy the position of chairman or a member of the board. He said he was going to work which would be more congenial to him, and that he was going to resign his position at which he should occupy the position of chairman or a member of the board. He said he was going to work which would be more congenial to him, and that he was going to resign his position at which he should occupy the position of chairman or a member of the board.

Mr. Blair is not going into politics. It is likely that he will be professionally employed by one of the leading railway companies.

Market for Inland Coal.

Canada's commissioner in Japan, Alexander McLean, in a report to the trades and commerce department says they had good markets for Canadian whisky. Of \$62,880 worth of whisky imported last year, Canada only contributed \$435. But this trade is on the increase. The Japanese navy is now trying Comox coal, and the likelihood is that there will be a good market for British Columbia coal.

THE C.P.R. HOTEL.

Company is Inviting Tenders for Erection of Building on James Bay flats.

Tenders are invited by the C.P.R. for the erection of the new hotel on the James Bay flats. The building is to be a seven-story structure of stone and brick.

Plans are to be seen at the office of F. M. Rattenbury, architect, of this city, and the tenders will be received up till December 28th. The tenders are to be sealed and addressed to the divisional engineer at Vancouver.

The building was described at length in the Times a short time ago. The work for the foundation is being steadily pushed along, the time for the completion of that part being the end of December. It is more than probable that the foundation will be fully completed in the specified time, but will not be delayed long after that date, unless something unforeseen should occur.

This will give the contractor the job for the erection of the hotel building a chance to get started on it early in the coming year. The C.P.R. is desirous of having the work completed as early a date as possible.

REPORT DISCREDITED.

Canard Line Official Do Not Believe Rumor of Sinking of the Slavona.

London, Oct. 19.—At the office here of the Canard Steamship Company a rumor that the steamer Slavona had sunk in a storm off the Spanish coast is entirely discredited. The Slavona, it is pointed out, passed Gibraltar on October 11th, and the officials cannot see how she could be anywhere in the neighborhood of the Spanish coast. The vessel is due at New York October 22nd.

Walmer Castle, Kent, Oct. 19.—Lady Curzon is progressing to favor the hereditary only one bulletin will be given out daily.

ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD GREETED PREMIER

ADDRESSING IMMENSE MEETING AT ORILLIA

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Was in Excellent Form—Appealed for Support for Leighton McCarthy.

Orillia, Oct. 20.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier addressed an immense gathering in the agricultural hall last evening, which he described as the brightest he had ever addressed in his life. The Premier, who was in good form, spoke for an hour. There was great enthusiasm. He asked the support not only for the Liberal candidates in the Simcoe and North Ontario, but for Leighton McCarthy, also, who is running in North Simcoe as an independent.

Sir Wilfrid made no reference to Mr. Blair's resignation from the chairmanship of the railway commission.

J. B. Todd, M. P., occupied the chair, and speeches were made by Messrs. R. D. Gumm and Geo. D. Grant, Liberal candidates in East Simcoe and North Ontario respectively, and by N. W. Rowell, Toronto.

MR. BLAIR DENIES ANOTHER REPORT

IS NOT GOING TO SPEAK AGAINST SIFTON

Story Circulated at Brandon Promptly Contradicted—Premier Will Visit Carleton Place on Saturday.

Ottawa, Oct. 20.—Hon. A. G. Blair received a telegram this afternoon from Mr. R. L. Richardson, the opposition candidate in Brandon, saying that a report was circulated there that he (Blair) was going West to speak against H. C. Sifton. Mr. Richardson asked if this was correct. Mr. Blair told your correspondent that he was not going west, and that the report was without foundation.

Invitations Declined.

Hon. A. G. Blair has received a large number of invitations from all parts to take the stump in favor of the opposition against the government. He has given a direct refusal, stating that he has no intention at present of taking any part in politics.

Will Visit Carleton Place.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier speaks at Carleton Place on October 22nd for Mr. Caldwell in South Leamington.

Judge O'Meara yesterday found Charles Kelly and Albert Hillman guilty of keeping a gambling house in Ottawa. Counsel for Kelly and Hillman applied for an appeal from that decision and the judge deferred sentence until December 15th to permit of the appeal being heard.

The Yukon Election.

The election in the Yukon will take place on the date originally fixed, December 16th.

The Times correspondent at Ladysmith writes as follows: A few lively tiffs between Liberal and Conservative marked Mr. Wolley's meeting here last night. A. H. Haskins was here to help Mr. Wolley out and W. B. McInnes, by invitation, took a hand in the fray, and made things decidedly interesting.

Mr. Wolley took as his platform "better terms" for the province, opposition to the Grand Trunk and denunciation of the Liberal administration in the Yukon. He also attacked Mr. Smith, saying that gentleman was inconsistent in his attitude towards the labor men. He maintained the strict Conservative argument that the Liberal administration had been doing the West to buy votes in the East.

Mr. McInnes pointed out that better terms was not a party question, and that the Liberals had done their share in trying to get them from the Dominion. When Premier Durnell and Attorney-General Eberts had gone to Ottawa on that question they had been obliged to call in a Liberal, Mr. Lugin, to plead their case before the government. When Colonel Prior and Mr. Eberts went they did not keep their appointment with the government because they neglected their duties and went to a Conservative dinner in Montreal at the time they should have been in Ottawa. As for the trip of Messrs. Green and Wilson, it was on the eve of an election, and their aim was to get ammunition to use against the Liberals. Indeed most of their time was spent around the C. P. R. offices trying to raise a campaign fund. Referring to the demand for a duty on lumber, Mr. McInnes pointed out that it was the Conservatives who had taken that duty off in 1894.

Mr. Haskins devoted himself to the lumber question and the Grand Trunk Pacific, maintaining that it was the Liberals who had put in force the bill to put lumber on the free list, and that he was to catch votes in the Northwest.

The only other speaker was H. McKimney, a Socialist, who made an address not on political questions, but on the general lines of Socialist reform.

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THE POLITICAL CONTEXT.

To the Editor:—Every country has numerous types characteristic of different phases of its life, and of different sections of its territory. Our respected citizen, Mr. Charles H. Lugin, has taken a very prominent and active part in public affairs. In the freedom of his mind and speech and in the democracy of his manner he has several times given utterance to sentiments that incline me to the opinion that he favors a policy that would ultimately lead to independence, "for Canada a nation."

I hope that I have misunderstood him. I am an Imperialist, and a supporter of the present Dominion government. There are others who have misunderstood him, and this letter will give him an opportunity to reply.

In Mr. Lugin's eloquent and dramatic speech at the A. O. U. W. hall he stated amongst other pleasing things, "That the Liberal party stood for the rights of Canada to manage their own affairs." This sentence is somewhat ambiguous. Please, Mr. Lugin, tell me what you mean?

I do not forget reading of Mr. Lugin's speech in the Imperial House of Commons in 1700 when Burke opposed the bill of Pitt to grant self-government to the colonies. "I am convinced," said Fox, who gave the motion, "that the only method of retaining distant colonies with advantage is to enable them to govern themselves."

The wisdom and foresight of this policy has since been justified. To-day Canada is self-legislative and self-governing, in most matters independent, the executive power being in the hands of the Dominion government, given strength, security, dignity and continuity to Canada. For is not "Our Lady of the Snows" a portion of the greatest Empire that the world has ever seen? What more does Mr. Lugin want for Canada?

The high ideals and generous policy pursued by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to deal with the rights of the people of Canada, and his policy that finally treated the Mother Country as an alien nation—a policy of ingratitude. When Col. E. G. Galloway Prior said he "hated" the Mother Country, "I feel convinced that he at the bottom of his big heart, and even lower, felt that the Liberal policy to Great Britain was patriotic and just. I think I hear him say: 'Yes, but don't say I said so. Certainly not prior to the election.'"

The last eight years of Liberal administration in Canada has attracted the attention of the other nations. It has placed the Dominion in its present position. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's statesmanship is the admiration of the press and public men of the Dominion. He has been a great success in the Mother Land. Sir John A. Macdonald was a brilliant and great Canadian, but Sir Wilfrid is attaining greater triumphs.

He is the friend of freedom and religion, the champion of the laboring classes, with a passionate love for Canada, and knows no distinction between race or creed, endeavoring to do that which he believes to be the good and advancement of the Dominion and the consolidation of the Empire. A man who would not set aside the constitution except in a great emergency, he is a great statesman.

Every voter should read the budget speech of the Hon. W. B. Fielding, minister of finance, and the diagrams in connection therewith. It is a most interesting and pleasant reading. He will doubtless remind you of Gladstone, when chancellor of the exchequer. Considering the decision of the Hon. W. B. Fielding, the present government cannot but be a great success. The Liberal government? Is it one of those rhythms of prosperity that Herbert Spencer mentions in his book "Principles of Biology"? To him, the Divine Providence in these political discussions is but a taste, if not something worse. The credit is mostly due to the wisdom and statesmanship of the Liberal leader, coupled with that policy of conciliation, patriotism and progress that has given us internal peace and prosperity. Truth and justice need management, not falsehood and injustice.

I was glad to hear Mr. George Ryley state he would not indulge in personalities. Let us deal with the great principles involved. He said by Boris Ledet that "the Liberal leader, with all his political faults, is not a 'bad chap.' May I detain the following lines to the Colonel? I am trying to imitate Mr. C. Phillips-Wolley. My verse is free, but I have not the Divine Providence in these political discussions is but a taste, if not something worse. The credit is mostly due to the wisdom and statesmanship of the Liberal leader, coupled with that policy of conciliation, patriotism and progress that has given us internal peace and prosperity. Truth and justice need management, not falsehood and injustice.

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venture to assert that with all the skillful political manoeuvres and suggestions and knightly eloquence the Conservative leaders will not be able to hypnotize the intelligent voters of Canada or turn the Liberals out of office.

S. PERRY MILLS.

FOURTY RIOTERS INJURED.

Disturbance During Hearing of Cases Arising Out of Fight During Election—A Judge's Protest.

Oak, Oct. 18.—A serious conflict between sympathizers with those who were arrested for participating in the riots at Pellyport on October 12th and the police occurred at the hearing of the cases at the Birtown court house today. Over forty persons were injured in the disturbance, some of them being seriously hurt.

When the Fellows defendants were arraigned the crowd in attendance were unable to secure admission to the court room and attacked the police. Over 100 of the latter formed up to maintain order and left and dispersing the crowd. The judge summoned the officer commanding the police, who said his men had been first attacked by the crowd.

William O'Brien, one of the court attendants, charged excessive brutality on the part of the police against one of the injured men, who was covered with blood. The magistrate denounced the action of the police, and as a protest adjourned the hearing for six weeks, during the defendants until that time.

TOURIST MATTERS.

The Executive of the Association Held Its Regular Meeting Tuesday Afternoon.

The executive of the Tourist Association met Tuesday afternoon, presided over by Anton Henderson, vice-president. There were present in addition A. B. Beckwith, A. H. Vincent, J. E. Wilson, B. S. Heisterman and Secretary Herbert Cuthbert.

The clerk read a letter from the executive that the question of boulevarding Bridge Walk and Menzies street had been referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for report.

M. F. Finn, clerk, reported on the Fifth Regiment band's report. Mr. Finn informed the executive that tourist literature had been sent to good advantage by the band. Correspondence was reported to have passed between Hon. Senator Templeman and the association relative to aiding in developing the poultry industry in the neighborhood of Victoria.

The secretary submitted a copy of the Canadian Gazette, published in London, England, a paper of great influence, in which appeared a full copy of the article on Victoria, particularly as a fruit-growing centre, which was published in the Farmers' Advocate, at the instance of the executive, together with the fact that British Columbia fruit has just captured the prize awarded in London, and will do much to call attention to the advantages of Victoria, and should prove an excellent advertisement.

A considerable amount of advertising it was reported had been done in Winnipeg this year during the meeting of the Dominion Educational Association.

The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts to the amount of \$873.88. This was ordered to be paid. A discussion of the financial question followed, and the benefits which were accruing from the work of the association were constantly being received from intending settlers asking for information.

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