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MADERO PLACED UNDER ARREST BLANQUET MAKES QUICK MOVE HUERTA SUCCEEDS TEMPORARILY

Gen. Blanquet, Regarded by Madero as Mainstay, Declares Against Continuing Bloodshed to Satisfy "Caprice of One Man"—Madero's Brother Is Also Taken Into Charge.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—(Can. Press.)—Francisco I. Madero has been forced out of the presidency. He was arrested at the national palace shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon by Gen. Blanquet. Gen. Victoriano Huerta, commander of the federal troops, was proclaimed provisional president.

About the time Madero was seized by Blanquet, his brother, Gustavo Madero, the former minister of finance, was arrested by Gen. Huerta, who was dining with him in a public restaurant.

All the members of the cabinet were promptly placed under arrest with the exception of Ernesto Madero, the uncle of the president, who held the portfolio of finance. He was apprised of the intentions against the government and managed to make his escape.

Notwithstanding the fact that some definite action was expected today, the coup d'etat at the palace created a sensation and the exact status of affairs could not be ascertained for several hours.

Blanquet Turns Traitor.

The direct movement against Madero was the result of a plot which had been brewing since yesterday, and which possibly existed with Blanquet for a much greater length of time.

From the first it had been known that Gen. Blanquet was unwilling to fight. His men were of the same mind. He held complete command over them, and it was not doubted that they would follow him in any adventure, which they did at the national palace this afternoon.

The forces, numbering 1000 men, which arrived late yesterday, were sent immediately to the palace, ostensibly to relieve the reserves there. The reserves were sent into the fields.

An agreement between Generals Blanquet and Huerta was reached last night, but the first intimation that Blanquet's men had of the new role they were to play was shortly before the successful stroke was made. Blanquet drew his men up in order and delivered a stirring speech.

"This inhuman battle must end," he said. "The time has come when some drastic means must be taken to stop a conflict in which father is killing son, and brother is fighting against brother; when non-combatants are sharing the fate of war—and all this because of the caprice of one man."

Issued Orders of Arrest.

Blanquet then issued orders for the arrest of the president and assigned a detachment to that duty. Madero was soon a prisoner in his own rooms.

One reason given for the attitude of Gen. Blanquet from the beginning was the presence of his son in the ranks of Diaz.

When the arrest of the president and his ministers became known, crowds gathered in the streets thru which they paraded shouting "vivas" for Huerta and Diaz.

A conference was held between the representatives of these two generals and an agreement was reached where-

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ASSESSORS TOLD HOW BEST TO PROCEED

Instructions Issued by the Government Give Concrete Examples of How Present Act Should Be Administered and Assessors Now Will Fix Taxes on Equitable Basis.

As the result of the report of the special tax assessment committee, that the Assessment Act was satisfactory if properly carried out, instructions have been prepared by the government and will be sent out to every assessor in the province. The report has been submitted to the legislature. General instructions and concrete examples of how the act must be administered have been sent out in the report, on the basis that "the value of buildings shall be the amount by which the value of the land is thereby increased." It is explained in the report that this clause means, in other words, that a building shall not be assessed for more than the amount which it adds to the selling value of the land. The following are some of the instructions:

"It may be stated as a general proposition that a building should never be assessed for more than the cost of reproducing it.

A Proper Guide.

"The cost of a building, however, may or may not be the proper guide in determining the amount for which it should be assessed.

"In the business sections of a city or town the cost of a comparatively new building, due allowance being made for any depreciation on account of age and want of repair, is perhaps the best guide, but in a majority of other cases the cost should be taken as a guide, simply because the building may only increase the value of the land by 50, 25 or 10 per cent. of its cost, and in some cases may actually add nothing to the value of the land beyond the salvage value of the materials in it.

"In assessing a building the assessor should consider its state of repair, and whether its location is a suitable one for the purposes for which it is used, as well as all other matters affecting its value."

In some cases a building, either because of its being out of repair or because of its not being adapted, or out of place, in the location in which it is found, may not increase the selling value of the land and may even de-

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LIBERALS STILL FIGHT NAVAL PROGRAM

Turriff of Assiniboia Would Have Redistribution of Seats and Appeal to Country Before Considering Bill Further—His Constituents Not For Either Policy.

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—(Can. Press.)—The naval debate is on again, but this time with more zest and spirit. Mr. Borden moved the second reading of the naval bill this afternoon, but did not deliver any speech in support of the same.

J. G. Turriff, Liberal member for Assiniboia, who opened the debate, frankly declared that his constituents favored neither the Borden nor the Laurier policy, but he personally believed that Canada should at once begin to build and equip a navy of her own, and to assist, when emergency demanded, in the defence of the empire. He offered an amendment calling upon the government to bring down a redistribution bill, and to pro-

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WARRANT FOR POLICE CHIEF

Thomas McDonald, of Thorold, Who Handled Bulk of Town's Funds, Cannot Be Located.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The mystery of the disappearance of Thomas McDonald, police chief of Thorold, who has been missing sinc Feb. 4, is partly explained by the fact that the provincial police on the Canadian side were in this city today trying to get trace of him. The Canadian officials carry a warran for the arrest of McDonald for alleged theft. The Thorold man is supposed to have crossed to this side of the border.

It is understood that the Town of Thorold is looking for $1500 which has disappeared.

McDonald was a frequent visitor to this city and the news of his disappearance two weeks ago created something of a stir. He had been police chief for two years or more and was an ideal officer in appearance. But McDonald was more than police chief. He was also tax collector, market clerk, pound master and a few other things, and pretty nearly all the town funds went thru his hands. Provincial Officer McNamara and Town Attorney Casey of Thorold were here today trying to obtain a clue as to McDonald's whereabouts, but with little success. It is believed that he is somewhere in this city.

Great Unrest in Russia

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.—(Can. Press.)—The dispute between Bulgaria and Roumania over the cession of a strip of territory by Bulgaria to Roumania on the Black Sea coast, brought about a panic on the bourse here today, while public opinion was also greatly excited.

The Russian Government, however, continues optimistic, declaring its confidence that the joint action of the powers resulting possibly in mediation by Russia and Italy, will assure a settlement and avert the armed occupation of Bulgarian territory by Roumania.

Russia, it is believed here, has decided to follow the example of Germany, Austria-Hungary and France by increasing the peace footing of her army.

GEORGIAN CANAL IS FAVORED IN NORTH

Associated Boards of Trade of Northern Ontario Uniting in Opposition to Stand Taken at Berlin Conference—Controller Church's Remarks Are Particularly Censured.

NORTH BAY, Feb. 18.—(Can. Press.)—An unusual feature of the meeting of the North Bay Town Council tonight was the departure from the usual routine of civic affairs to take up in an animated discussion the statements made at the Berlin meeting of the Great Waterways Association last Friday, where representatives from various centres of Southern Ontario condemned the Georgian Bay Canal and the French River waterway projects as impracticable and visionary.

The remarks of Controller Church of Toronto came in for especial criticism, he having been reported as saying that the French River waterway was nothing but a contractors' job. A motion was passed by the council instructing the town clerk to write Mayor Hocken of Toronto, and ascertain if Controller Church was speaking for Toronto, or merely as a citizen.

Another resolution was passed congratulating the Dominion Government upon the progressive spirit manifested in placing half a million dollars in the estimates to start the French River improvements, and asking that this be followed up with actual construction work at an early date.

The action of the Berlin meeting in passing a resolution asking the government to withhold any expenditure upon the French River watedway until it is proved practicable has caused a very bitter feeling thruout the north country, which has waited many years for cheap coal and navigation facilities, while exhaustive surveys and reports have been made by the best engineers in the world, all of which have been favorable.

Feeling is Strong.

A meeting of the North Bay Board of Trade has been called to discuss the Berlin episode, and the matter will be taken up vigorously by the associated boards of trade of Northern Ontario. So strong is the feeling that there is talk of a movement to divert the trade of Northern Ontario from apparently the unsympathetic centres of Southern Ontario to Montreal and other commercial centres not inimical to the Georgian Bay waterway. It is felt that Southern Ontario has committed a breach of faith on the question of the French River waterway, which was threshed out at the meeting of the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade in Toronto one year ago, and endorsed by that body, which memorialized the Dominion Government in favor of immediate construction.

CHARGED WITH FRAUD.

Louis Judkin is Accused of Obtaining $2500.

Detective Jarvis arrested Louis Judkin last night, on a charge of defrauding John W. Brown, 116 Lansdowne avenue, of $2500. It is alleged that Brown held a mortgage on some store furnishings at 206½ Yonge street. Accused is said to have sold these without Brown's permission and without paying the mortgage. Judkin lives at 111 Brunswick avenue.

Contrasting Types of Beauty.

Two contrasting types of the modern stage beauty are disclosed in John Mason's Company, now appearing at the Princess in "The Attack." Martha Hedman, the young Swedish actress, who sustains the leading feminine role, is a blonde of the true Scandinavian type, while Charlotte Ives is a strikingly beautiful brunette of charm and distinction.

MEN'S FUR-LINED COATS.

A man may buy as good a fur-lined coat as a millionaire would want to wear, for style and comfort, for $37.50. The shell is melton cloth, lined with muskrat and an otter collar. The cheapest these coats ever sold for in the past was fifty dollars. This is bargain time in men's furs, as well as ladies' furs. Call at Dineen's and look things over. W. & D. Dineen Company, Ltd., 140 Yonge street, corner Temperance.

NEW INTERESTS WILL CONTROL R. & O.

Furness Representatives and Allies Appear Strong Enough to Effect Transfer of Authority at Today's Meeting — Forget May Remain on Directorate.

MONTREAL, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co., which is to be held tomorrow at noon, at the company's offices, will be one of the most important in the 60 years' history of the corporation, for it is now understood that the control of the corporation will pass into new hands, altho Mr. William Wainwright, vice-president of the company for many years past, has been earnestly solicited by the leading spirits of the new regime, to retain that office.

It is generally supposed that Sir Rodolphe Forget and his immediate friends have lost control of the R. and O., and this was confirmed this evening, the statement being made that the English element and their Canadian allies have secured sufficient proxies to elect whatever slate they may submit to the meeting today. This has been brought about by the merger of the Richelieu and Ontario Co., the Northern Navigation Co., the Inland Navigation Co., and the Niagara Navigation Co., the three newly allied corporations, connected as they are, by the Furness interests, forming a combination sufficiently strong to acquire a controlling interest oin the merger in question.

Wild Stories.

A great many wild stories were afloat this evening, but most of them proved to be without any foundation. A statement, for instance, that Montreal is to lose the headquarters is absolutely without foundation. Montreal will remain the headquarters of the R. & O., altho two advisory boards may be constituted, one sitting in the Queen City and the other in this city.

James Carruthers of Montreal is likely to be the next president.

Sir Rodolphe Forget is being urged to remain on the board, but has not yet made known his decision.

It is likewise understood that an honorary president will be chosen to replace the late Lord Furness, and it will be no surprise if Sir Trevor Dawson is called upon to fill that position.

W. D. Matthews, director of the C.P.R., and Sir Montagu Allan will be on the reconstructed board.

MILLER DEFIES BAR OF HOUSE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS HIS JAILER WHILE PARLIAMENT IS SITTING

Persisting in Refusal to Answer Query, "Where Did the Money Go?" Former President of Montreal Company Is Placed in Unique Position—Dramatic Scene in House.

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—There is one man at least on Parliament Hill tonight who favors early prorogation. He is Mr. R. C. Miller of Montreal, who today was committed to the custody of the sergeant-at-arms for refusing to answer the questions put to him by order of the house. Unless he purges himself of contempt by giving the desired information, Mr. Miller will be kept in custody until the end of the session.

The galleries were crowded this afternoon in anticipation of the proceedings. Mr. Miller appeared at the bar of the house attended by his counsel, Mr. Harvey, K.C., and Mr. George Kydd of Ottawa.

Mr. Middlebro (N. Grey), chairman of the public accounts committee, occupied a seat in the treasury benches and shortly after the Speaker took the chair, made a formal motion that Mr. Miller be directed to answer the following questions:

"To whom did you pay the sum of $41,026, which on Jan. 14, 1912, you stated was paid by you in order to obtain government business for the Diamond Light and Heating Co., of which you were president, between June, 1907, and the time you retired from the presidency of the company, in 1911?"

Declines to Answer.

The question was then formally asked by Mr. Speaker Sproule, to which Mr. Miller replied that he desired the privilege of being represented by counsel. His request being granted by unanimous vote of the house, Mr. Speaker said: "I see that you have counsel by your side. Have they anything to say on your behalf?"

Mr. Kydd at once responded that the witness declined to answer the question upon the ground that the answer might incriminate him in the matter of certain pending litigation, and also upon the ground that the question was an unwarrantable inquisition into his private business affairs.

Given Into Custody.

Mr. Middlebro, having stated that any answer that the witness might give to the house would be privileged and could not therefore be used against him in any other place, formally moved that "Mr. Miller, having refused to answer the question put to him by the house, be at once committed by the warrant of Mr. Speaker, to the custody of the sergeant-at-arms in attendance upon the house."

Acting Sergeant-at-Arms Bowie then escorted the prisoner to room 31, adjoining the parliamentary reading room, which is the office of the sergeant-at-arms. Here he was visited a few moments later by the representative of The World.

"You can hardly expect me to tell you what I have refused to tell the house," Mr. Miller said, smilingly. "I realize that I am in a serious position, but will be guided by the advice of my counsel."

Little Legal Recourse.

Mr. Harvey, the attorney for Mr. Miller, said he had little time to examine into the legal rights of his client. He doubted, however, if the validity of the commitment could be questioned by a writ of habeas corpus.

Mr. Miller does not present a truculent appearance, being a rather slender man of medium height, about forty years of age, with a mild expression of countenance and a drooping moustache. He seemed prepared, however, to stand by his refusal to furnish the information required by the house. He was taken to a hotel at dinner time by a Dominion policeman but returned shortly, and it is understood will be confined in the parliament buildings.

About 9 o'clock this evening the prisoner, escorted by an officer in plain clothes, took a seat in the official gallery in the house and listened with apparent interest to the naval debate. Later in the evening he was joined by his attorney, Mr. A. E. Harvey, K.C., of Montreal, who will share Captain Boyer's office with him tonight.

FEDERAL GRANT TO FAMILIES OF HEROES

Premier Borden, Replying to Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Says Canada Will Recognize in Substantial Way Self-Sacrifice of Scott Party — Tributes in House.

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux this afternoon moved the adjournment of the house in order to discuss matters of urgent public interest, to wit, "What substantial sympathy would be extended by the Dominion Government to the families of Captain Scott and his followers who had lost their lives in the Antarctic regions?"

Mr. Lemieux spoke feelingly of the heroism of the unfortunate men who had lost their lives in the attempt to further the interests of the scientific world.

"The heroism of these men should fill the heart of every Britisher with pride," declared Mr. Lemieux, "and I do not doubt that their reports will be of the greatest scientific interest to the world."

He said that Canada, as a component part of the British Empire, would regard Scott and his men as her own heroes. To his mind Scott was a worthy successor to Sir John Franklin.

Parliamentary Grant.

Scott, Mr. Lemieux said, had expressed in his last letter to the world the belief that the empire would care for his family and the families of the men who perished with him. Mr. Lemieux suggested that Canada should fulfil this expectation by a parliamentary grant.

The prime minister, in his reply, intimated that suitable provision would be made in the supplementary estimates. "I was personally greatly disturbed by the tidings which reached us from the other side of the world of this disaster," said Mr. Borden, "and I am sure everyone in Canada was equally disturbed. The courage of Scott and his companions has never been exceeded in the world's history."

Captain Oates' Heroism.

Mr. Borden believed the action of Captain Oates in walking out into the blizzard to die was particularly

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U. S. WARSHIPS TO REMAIN IN MEXICAN WATERS UNTIL ORDER IS FULLY RESTORED

Period of Reconstruction Now Entered Upon Will Last Some Time, But Tension at Washington Is Greatly Relieved — Abrupt Change Causes Surprise.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. — (Can. Press.)—It is not expected that the U. S. will be in haste to withdraw its battleships and cruisers from Mexican waters. The problems of reconstruction which Mexico must now face will require a little time to inaugurate and the presence of U. S. warships will serve as a reminder to all elements, that American life and property must be protected. Over 2000 marines under orders tonight to sail from Guatanamo, Cuba, probably will proceed to their camp there. In the event that their services are not needed in Mexico they can participate to advantage in the manoeuvres of the Atlantic fleet, now within only a few hours run from the Gulf of Mexico.

Surprise was expressed at the Mexican Embassy here when Senor De la Cueva, charge d'affaires, and the members of the staff were informed of Madero's overthrow, and it brought a feeling of relief, in that the suspense which they had been undergoing during the last ten days of revolutionary turmoil had been lifted.

Settlement Reached.

Having received little official information from Mexico City, the embassy had not been able, it was said, to forecast the result of the revolution. The staff, however, appeared to be satisfied that a settlement had been reached, even if it had resulted in a change of government.

Since Senor Calero left here Mexico has been without an ambassador in Washington, and affairs of the embassy have been handled by Senor De la Cueva, the first secretary. When Senor Calero returned to Mexico City, where, only a few weeks ago, he made the startling declaration in the senate that during his stay in Washington he had lied about conditions in Mexico, there was much speculation as to who his successor would be.

DR. B. W. FERRIER STRUCK BY CAR

East End Physician in Grace Hospital With Fractured Skull and May Not Recover.

While standing between a barrier protecting an excavation for a sewer at the corner of Queen street and Leuty avenue last night, Dr. B. W. Ferrier, who lives at 35 Leuty avenue, was struck by a west-bound King street car and so badly injured that his recovery is doubtful. Dr. Ferrier intended to board the car to go downtown, and stood between the wooden barrier and the tracks. The space, however, was not wide enough, and before he could step back he was struck and thrown into the excavation.

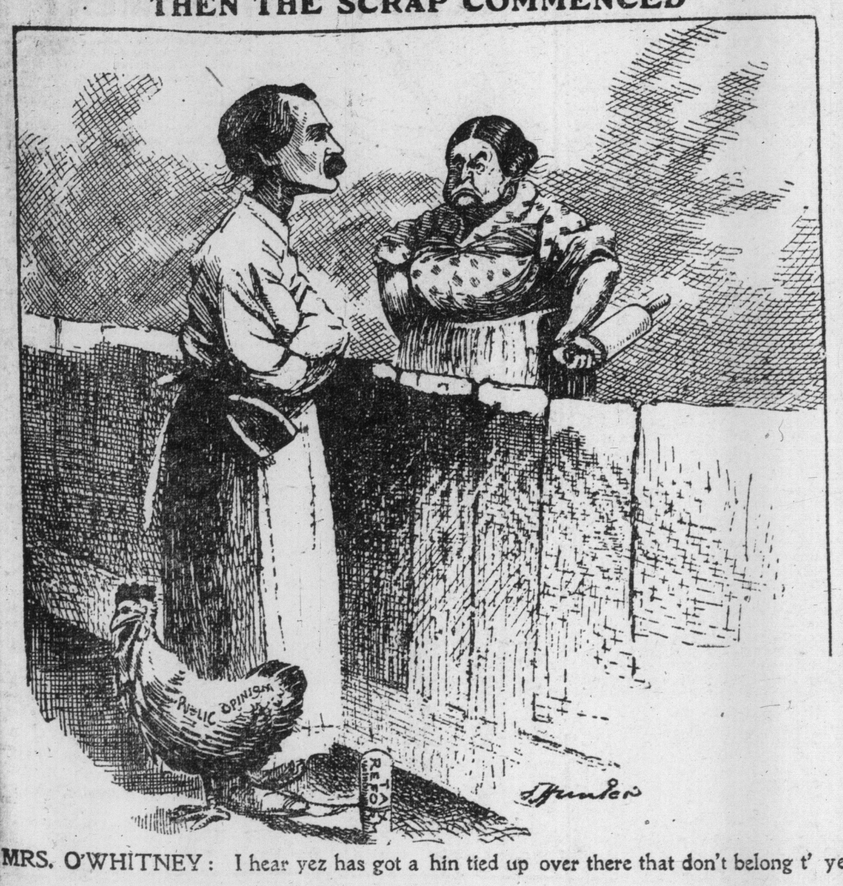
The doctor, who is 80 years old and very well known in the east end of Toronto, was carried into Miles' undertaking establishment, and from there was taken to Grace Hospital, accompanied by Dr. Young, of East Queen street.

It is feared that he cannot recover, as his skull is fractured, and he is very badly injured, both from the blow from the car and the fall into the excavation.

Small Boy Lost.

Benny Littner, aged about five years, wandered away from the Ryerson Avenue Public School yesterday morning and has not yet been found. The little boy's mother is very much concerned as to his whereabouts, and has asked the police to search for him. When last seen the lad was wearing a coon coat and a fur cap. He lived with his parents at 95 Augusta avenue.

THEN THE SCRAP COMMENCED



MRS. O'WHITNEY: I hear yez has got a hin tied up over there that don't belong t' yez.

WHY WESLEY LEFT TH' AULD HAME.

Jaff: Is that ye, John?

John: Wait till I get on my big glasses. O K Senator, go ahead.

Jaff: Sir Jeems has his back til th' wa' fichtin' agen Divorce, Irreligion an' Socialism, in ither words, th' Demon o' Tax Reform.

John: But ain't yuh fer Tax Reform?

Jaff: Nay, nay, Jawline, if it means they ither demons. Th' Glob' canna coontenance Irreligion.

John: What about th' ads in Th' Globe on th' Demon Rum?

Jaff: Th' meenister doesna drink th' rum; aw' we dae is til advertise it. No we dinna pit oor money on they pari-mutuels: we only say that they maun be tolerated.

John: Is Th' Globe fur 'bolishin' th' bar in th' Ontario Liberal Club?

Jaff: In that case, John, Th' Glob's fer leeberty til th' subjec'.

John: I see now why N. Wes. lef' th' ole home!

Jaff: I wasna mentionin' th' young man; I was tellin' ye aboot puir Sir Jeems an' th' demons chasin' him up at the Pairk. He's haen an awfu' time, John.

John: Who chased N. Wes. from th' ole home?

Jaff: Oh, th' loonies tawkin' aboot preeciples aw' th' time. A politician lawyer til succeed maun limit his preeciples til his speeches an' his prayers. But in's practice he hunts th' wolf while runnin' til th' kennell! Sir George had a gran' conception o' th' thing coupled wi' marvelous powers o' expression an' patriotism, John.