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MARITIME UNION

As to the union of the Maritime Provinces, it can hardly be possible that there are any merely sentimental local prejudices in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, or Prince Edward Island in favor of maintaining the present conditions...

THE VOICE OF THE PEASANTS

The Congress of the Union of Peasants is now in session at Moscow. It consists of delegates from twenty-two governments. Resolutions have been passed demanding that the representatives in the proposed parliament be elected by universal suffrage...

JAPANESE RAILWAYS

The railways of Japan are some of them owned by the government and some by private corporations. There are at present forty-one private railways with a total mileage in 1902 of 3,007 miles...

hypothecated, and, if taken in satisfaction of debt, can be at once operated. The Japanese private railways are a good security for \$94,000,000. They cost more than that and are paid for and earning money...

In 1902 the mileage of state railways open to traffic was 1,226 miles, costing \$62,857,000 or \$51,270 per mile. The great workshops and other extras are included in the cost...

In the state railways the Japanese government has a security as yet unused by means of a foreign market for use in further war operations. And there is another feature that is interesting...

THE PEACE CONFERENCE

Our New York letter today gives prominence to the view that, while peace is quite possible, its ratification will be forced by the difficulty that both Russia and Japan will find in raising any more money in the money-market of the world...

SENATOR WARK, 1804-1905

Of no dispenser, or of no blast he died, But fell like autumn fruit that mellowed. Even wondered at because he dropt not sooner...

SO LIVED, SO DIED, DAVID WARK

The simple life was a noble life in his case. To live for more than a century may be in itself little, but in David Wark's case it was much...

FOREST FIRES

Criminal carelessness by persons who own no woodland and who have been trespassers upon the lands of others has cost the farmers and lumbermen of New Brunswick immense sums of money...

unrolled two of his marked characteristics depended--his profound and discerning religious faith and his love of country. Just as the "blue ruin" years of Canada never weakened his loyalty or his faith in the future of the Dominion...

In his own sketch of his life he speaks briefly of his service to New Brunswick in having made and published a report by an expert upon its agricultural possibilities...

The councillor to the British embassy at Berlin, recently stated in a report to the Foreign Office that for the first time since 1890 the German government in April last secured a loan at 3 per cent. He also says that no sinking fund has been provided or any other measure taken for the redemption of the funded debt of the empire...

THE RUSSIAN WAY

It is intimated in the despatches of this morning that President Roosevelt has played the role of Bismarck at another conference, when Lord Beaconsfield and Russian envoys were discussing questions that meant peace or war and that immediately...

PEACE IN THE BALANCE

Mr. Roosevelt, as is set forth this morning in a despatch from The Telegraph's New York representative, is striving with characteristic vigor and directness to prevent the failure of the peace conference. Apparently in his efforts to bring about an agreement he has bluntly asked the Russians to name the utmost concessions to which the Czar and his advisers will agree...

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Iroquois was too good a driver. But the Temeraire was almost the ditz. And Lord Minto succeeds Lord Curzon as Indian Viceroy. The Iron Kitchener has his way.

FRANK NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

An airship sailing over New York is a pretty good newspaper advertising idea. New Yorkers witnessed the first aerial navigation over the metropolis yesterday.

CANADA'S PARLIAMENT

The time, and duty calls. Wardens! That carry fragrant truths. Be our children! Thy deeds be brave, so that our children can. And in their growth, grow strong like Adam...

ST. MARTIN'S NOTES

St. Martin's, N. B., Aug. 21--The schooner Laura C. Hall, Capt. Rockwell, which was recently in collision with the schooner Garfield White, of Grand Manan, has been towed here for repairs.

I. O. R. CHANGES CONFIRMED

Ottawa, Aug. 21--Hon. Mr. Emmerson has decided upon a complete reorganization of the I. O. R., with the idea of giving heads of departments a greater responsibility and making them liable for results.

TRIED TO KILL QUEEN MARGHERITA

New York, Aug. 21--A Turin, Italy, despatch to the Herald says that recently an attempt was made to assassinate Queen Margherita, mother of King Victor Emmanuel, who is making a tour of Italy in an automobile.

fire law is again made plain in costly fashion. The law is good enough, but it is difficult to secure the evidence necessary to secure a conviction; and prevention rather than conviction is needed.

In the schools, too, children should be instructed concerning the value of the forests and the serious harm following carelessness in the matter of fire. The question is one which cannot be neglected by those of concern. And in cases where evidence of carelessness or worse can be obtained it is the plain duty of the suffering community to cause the arrest and punishment of the offenders.

THE COST OF EMPIRE

The amount of the total debt per head of population at the beginning of 1904 was \$12.70 for the imperial debt, and an average of \$60.30 per head. In view of this state of their finances it is believed that in the fall the Reichstag will be asked to take measures for increasing the revenue of the Empire.

CURZON AND KITCHENER

Big as India is there evidently was not room enough in it for both Lord Curzon and Lord Kitchener. Both are men of unusual force and exceptional ability. Both have the habit of command rather than the aptitude for taking orders. The government, it is certain, was reluctant to choose between them since to do so was to lose at least one instrument of immense value to the Empire.

ROSEN NAMES HIGHEST PRICE FOR PEACE

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NO OFFERS FOR INTERCOLONIAL

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HIS LEG BROKEN

James Allingham of Petersville Hurf in Runaway Accident. On Tuesday of last week, James Allingham, farmer and grocer of Petersville, Queens county met with a painful accident. While driving a spirited horse the harness broke and the animal started to run away.

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