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FIFTIETH YEAR

London, Aug. 19.—Much interest is shown here in the attitude of the United States towards the Holland-Venezuela dispute. The Daily Graphic in an editorial this morning thinks that it is not a wise precedent even for the Netherlands to acknowledge such an extension of the Monroe doctrine as is implied in the limitation to a blockade imposed by the United States on her justly punitive action against Venezuela, and hopes that Holland's action will be as drastic as the American restriction will permit. The Times in an editorial this morning on the Venezuelan situation says: "President Roosevelt has always advocated what he called in his famous message the proper policing of the world,' and if the Dutch see any chance to apply it without infringing the Monroe doctrine, the other America, like the rest of the barbarians in Castro's phrase, can but wish her success in this most necessary work." London, Aug. 19 .- Much interest is this most necessary work."

No Case for Arbitration

The Hague, Aug. 19.—The view is entertained in diplomatic circles here that the present difficulty between Holland and Venezuela is not of a nature to be settled by arbitration, and in explanation it is pointed out that the dispute is not of a private commercial character, like the difficulties between Venezuela and Great Britain, Germany, and the United States. In those cases satisfaction for claims was sought, and Holland-has no claim against Venezuela. It is maintained here that the present question is rather one of sovereignty and national honor, matters which are not susceptible of solution by arbitration. No Case for Arbitration

Willmestadt, Curacao, Aug. 19.—Letters received here today from Venezuela contain the information that the authorities have established strict control over all Venezuelan custom houses. No passengers are permitted to depart from Venezuela without having first received the permission of the government, and such permission is granted only to individuals who take passage for points in Europe or North America.

America.
This measure is supposed to have been taken because of the existing difficulty between Venezuela and Holland.

Paris, Aug. 19.—The Temps this afternoon expresses the most lively satisfaction at the liberal and wise interpretation of the Monroe doctrine made by the United States, as evidenced by her endorsement of the plans of Holland to secure redress from Venezuela. The paper says: "The arrogant Castro, who insultingly ejected the French minister from Caracas, becomes daily more and more impossible. The time certainly has come for a settlement of the numerous international difficulties with Venezuela, and the action of Holland probably will open a way to this end."

Castro's Offensive Acts

The Hague, August 19.—In brief but ominous phrasing the "Staats Courant," or official gazette, states that at a recent Cabinet meeting the Venezuelan question was discussed, and it was decided to make no public announcement of the Government's position until M. de Reus, the former minister at Caracas, shall arrive and the letter reported to have been dispatched by the Foreign Minister of Venezuela to the Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs received and examined. Castro's Offensive Acts

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However, Vice-Admiral Hockwater is known to have been present at the meeting and unusual activity is now shown on board the battleships De Ruyter, Evertsen and Hertog Hendrik, and the armored cruisers Holland and Priesland.

The press of this city, Amsterdam, and other cities without distinction of party is unanimous in declaring that the country can bear no more insults and injuries at the hands of President Castro and that the Government, should it take the most drastic measures, will have the full support of the country.

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The papers are unanimous in declaring that the expulsion of the minister was conducted in a manner linknown in modern diplomacy, and is in itself a sufficient cause for war. It is admitted that the De Reus letter which caused the Dutch minister's expulsion was scarcely regular, as it condemned the ruler and country to which he was accredited.

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After all, it is added, the minister's frank and unguarded letter told the Hollanders nothing new.

PUNITIVE ACTION

AGAINST CASTRO

Much Interest Taken By Europe in Holland's Probable Course

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Government at The Hague Awaits Arrival of Expelled Minister

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It has been pointed out by some that such a proceeding would be objected to by those countries whose claims of a 30 per cent mortgage on the Venezuelan customs receipts still

claims of a 30 per cent mortgage on the Venezuelan customs receipts still remain unsatisfied. By the award of the Mixed Claims Commission in 1903 preference was given to the blockading powers, consisting of Germany, Italy and England. Their claims were satisfied in 1907. There remain the United States, France, Belgium, Spain, Mexico, Sweden, Norway and Holland. Although the action of the latter might seriously interfere with the payment of her fellow creditors, yet it is believed that the Netherlands already not only have their consent to proceed to extremes, but is being secretly encouraged so

Ottawa, Aug. 19.—Preparation of the voters' lists in the unorganized districts of Ontario for the purpose of the next general elections is now under way. It is somewhat hampered by the desire of judges, and enumerators for faller instructions in regard to the way in which the work should be done than those given in the election act of last session of parliament.

Mr. Borden returns to Ottawa at the end of the week and will immediately get into the political campaign, commencing in the maritime provinces.

COAL MINE TROUBLES

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Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 19.—A strike of ten thousand coal miners in the Pittsburg district is threatened because the operators late vesterday refused to grant the demand of the officials of the miners' organization that they collect an increased "check-off."

Indianapolis, Aug. 19.—Representatives of the Indiana bituminous coal operators' association and the United Mine Workers of America met today at the international miners' headquarters to discusse the trouble in the Indiana field. President Lewis and three members of the executive board of district 11 represented the miners. The trouble which has resulted in the strike of 7000 miners in Indiana and the severing of relations between the miners and operators was caused by the discharge of a mule driver at a mine in Sullivan county.

King and Emperor.

Marienbad, Aug. 19.—Owing to the celebration of Emperor Francis Joseph's jubilee, King Edward dropped his incognito for the day and gave an official dinner to forty guests. The King made a speech in which he expressed his congratulations over the Emperor's jubilee, wishing him long life and happiness.

DEADLY WARFARE

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The Pope Indisposed.

Rome, Aug. 19.—The pope today is slightly indisposed, having caught a cold, which has affected his gout. His and lead the take a rest, and consequently all audiences arest, and cons

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Railway Laborers Throw Rooks at Harvesters' Excursion Trains— One Man Killed

Winnipeg, Aug. 19.—Further trainloads of harvesters arriving her, chiefly from Ontario, report that they were assailed on the road by irate railwaymen, who suffered at the hands of the Maritimers coming through last week. Officials on these trains say that the men were well behaved and the women aboard treated with courtesy and consideration.

Foreigners employed on new construction on double tracking C.P.R between Winnipeg and Fort William regularly bombarded the passing excursionists with rock. One Ontario man was badly cut on the head. The police have not yet arrested a harvester who escaped from them last evening, and who is said to have caused the death of an Italian near Kenora by "plugging" him over the head with a beer bottle in retailation for rock hurling.

Hollanders nothing new.

Viewing the De Reus letter in its worst aspect, the press declares that if he were no longer considered persona grata at Caracas the proper procedure would have been to have so informed the Hague Government and requested his recall. This is what civilized nations have always done unless they wished deliberately to provoke war.

Think Castro Seeks War

"De Telegraaf," of Amsterdam, which is probably the oldest paper in the world, condemns the discourtesy of Castro, but adds that, after making all allowances for his conduct, he

Wigan, England, Aug. 19.—It is not believed that a single man of the seventy miners who were entombed by the explosion which occurred yesterday in the Maypole coal mine here survived the disaster. The four men reported rescued yesterday were engaged in an adjoining building. The ventilating fan, which was put out of order by the explosion, was repaired this morning, and the mine having been cleared of gases the rescue party again descended.

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MORE INDICATIONS

OF COMING ELECTION

Preparation of Voters' Lists in Unorganized Districts in Ontario

Montreal Plates.

the police in connection with the strike of C. P. R. machinists. He was re-leased on suspended sentence, with a warning to him and others that the orders of the police to "move on" must be obeyed promptly.

Want Damages for Injuries. Ottawa, Aug. 19.—An action has been entered in the high court by Murphy & Fisher, barristers, on behalf of Charlie and Freddie Byrne, to recover \$25,000 damages from the Ottawa Electric Railway company. The action arises out of a collision that occurred on the Britannia line on Sunday, May 24 last. Both the boys lost their legs in the smash.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 19.—The centre of virulence in the cholera epidemic has been transferred to Rostov on the Don, where thirty new cases and ten deaths were reported on Aug. 15.

In the province of Astrakhan 68 new cases and 11 deaths were reported on the same day.

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Toronto, Aug. 19.—4. Brooklyn despatch says Rev. Joseph Wild, D.D., formerly of the Bond street Congregational church, this cit, is dead of paralysis. He was boun in 1824. Was well known throughout the Dominion.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 5—Lefe today the police reserves were called to the terminal station to quelt a riot that occurred among U. S. regulars en route from Fort Stoum to the Pacific coast. When the local police officers were unable to curb the soldiers a call was made upon Fort McPherson for troops and Captain Bankhead with a company of regulars responded hurriealy.

One Degree of Frost Reported at Several Places on the Prairies

No DAMAGE DONE TO WHEAT

Fatal Auto Accident.

Minneapolis, Aug. 18—John Gluck, a wealthy Minneapolis brewer, and his wife, were killed today at Cottage Wood, Lake Minnetonks. In a collision between their automobile and a train on the Minneapolis and St. Louis railway. Two other eccupants of the automobile, Mrs. Edward Lebace, of New York city, and her two-year-old daughter, received injuries which may prove fatal.

Fortification Plans Missing.

Ottawa, Aug. 19.—The Citizen newspaper prints a statement that plans of the defenses of the Halifax fortifications have either been stolen or mislaid, and that efforts to recover the papers both in Halifax and Ottawa have so far been truitless. On inquiry at the militia department the report is denied, although it is admitted that certain correspondence in connection with the Halifax fortifications have gone astray.

Ottaws Finances.

Ottaws, Aug. 19.—The board of control has decided to renew its loan of \$750,000 with Parr's bank, of London, for another six months until the taxes come in. They will issue Ottawa City Treasury notes in London with the hope of reducing the interest to less than the 4 1-2 per cent. now paid for the loan.

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FREELY RESORT TO ARMS

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 18.—Another mining camp near Jellico was cleared of negroes today by an armed band. Notices have been served on all negroes within a thirty-mile radius to get out in three days. Jellico and Lafolette are threatened. It is reported that a cabin has been burned and six negroes cremated.

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Sheriff Huddlestone gathered 100 armed men at Antras last night to prevent trouble in the Jellico mining field, and entered the commissary building with the negroes who are entrenched there, surrounded by a band of miners and mountaineers. There is constant firing among the hills around the camp, but no direct attack on the sheriff's party has been made. The latter, fortified as it is, can repulse an attack by a party several times its strength. Negroes are arriving at Jellico and other towns in a state of error, some of them having been hiding all yesterday, while others camped out last night. While no killing has been reported, it is possible that some negroes have been siain in the mountains.

PERSIAN COSSACKS SLAY PRAYING BABES Fearful Atrocities in Teheran—Squa Filled With Children's Bodies

St. Petersburg, Aug. 19.—The Teheran correspondent of the Rannee Utro has sent to that fournal a story of barbarous atrocities on the part of Persian Cossacks, which seems almost

Farmers Will Have Time of Anxiety Till End of This Week

Winnipeg, Aug. 19.—Although the thermometer dipped low throughout Manitoba and Saskatchewan last night, touching 31 at Dauphin and freezing point at Brandon, Minnesota, Kamsack and other points, ne damage was done to crops, though the farmers had an auxious time.

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The low temperatures were accompanied here by the finest pyrotechnical display of northern lights seen in many years.

Considerable anxiety will continue for the next few nights and until the end of the week, as old-timers maintain that from August 18 to 22 is the critical period, after which frost need not be feared till well on in September.

London, Aug. 19.—The scope of the committee of inquiry recently appoint so by the government on the meatrade is to be limited to the dead meatrade; and there will be no reconsideration of the Canadian embargo question.

Russia's Ghastly Record. St. Petersburg, Aug. 19.—The handing down of seven more sentences of eath was reported today, making a stal for one day (yesterday) through ut the Empire, twenty-six, and contituting a sinister record. The newspers have ceased to publish the excutions even in Moscow and Stretersburg.

China's Proper Policy.
Shanghai, Aug. 19.—The Sin Wa.
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arms around the body of his wife. The tragedy was the culmination of a series of violent quarrels. Hacker is, said to have served as a captain in the Spanish American war. His father, tw. G. Hacker, lives in Newark.

REDUCTION OF WAGES BY COTTON SPINNERS

Lockout for Month Threatened in Case of Refusal By the Operatives

Manchester, Eng., Aug. 19.—The Lancashire Federation of Cotton Spin-

Charged With Theft. Toronto, Aug. 19. — Instructions were issued yesterday for the arrest of George Adamson, former waterworks receiver, on a charge of a theft of city taxes amounting to \$2,400.

Bitten By a Dog. Toronto, Aug. 19.—Mrs. Edwin Sherwin, 59 Sydenham street, was badly bitten by a terrier dog, while lying unconscious in a fit in her home. One of her ears was bitten off and an eye goured out, and her cheeks were torn. The dogs attack brought her to and her cries attracted neighbors, who sent her to the hospital. She is in a serious condition.

PICKETS ARE ATTACKED

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Toront, Aug. 19.—The price for this season's pack of tomatoes and corn is announced by the Consolidated Packers as 30 cents per dozen cheaper than last year. The drop in price is due to the activity of the independent canners. The Consolidated prices are out three months earlier than usual. It is said that their efforts this year will be directed toward exterminating the independent competition.

states and China for the purpose of jointly opposing Japan. The paper declares that China must rely upon internal reforms and not foreign alliances.

Double Tragedy.

New York, Aug. 19.—Because his wife killed herself when he threatened to leave her, Edward H. Hacker, 47 years old, this afternoon stood over her body in their apartment in Hague Court, and fired three shots into his breast. When a doctor arrived Hacker was dead, lying on the floor with his arms around the body of his wife. The tragedy was the culmination of as comming of the guardships of the new clergymen of Springfield too action.

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Ottawa, August 19.—Two serious errors have crept into the Chinese Immigration Act of the last session, as promulgated in the "Canada Gazette" of August 1. During the discussion of the measure in Parliament it seemed to be the intention that Chinese students should no longer be exempt from the payment of the \$500 headtax unless they were students of one of the higher universities. The act, however, as promulgated specifically states that all students under the age of 17 years are to be exempt from the head tax.

Again, the intention of Parliament was that merchants, their wives and children under the age of 17 years should still be exempt from the tax but the act, as promulgated, extends the exemption to merchants, their wives and minor children.

These errors are apt to cause considerable annoyance.

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Removal of Part of Troops Causes Fear—Fugitives Suffer Severely

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The ships passed seemingly in unbroken lines along the coast front. It is estimated that hardly less than hair a million people assembled to give the visitors a royal welcome, Sydney harbor, with its innumerable bed more beautiful, nor did the American sallors ever witness a more in spiring sight than that which met their eyes as the white ships came through the channel, past the great headlands into Port Jackson.

A hundred thousand people, the greatest single assembled to greatest single assembled to for the whole scene was to be had Hundreds of craft of all kinds moved up and down even at that sarily hour, all the waters, with the exception of the failway and the anchorages, being dotted with little and big vessels decorated in every color lineaginable with lags and burn the exception of one day, had fair weater all the way to Sydney. On Tuesday the warships encounteed heavy winds which threw up a stiff head sea, greatiout The service of the contract of the same and horse of the port, and as soon as they were safely moored at their anchorage official visits were exchanged. The special of the contraction was not one to the port, and as soon as they were safely moored at their anchorage official visits were exchanged. The special of the contraction was not one to the cornel of the port and as soon as they were safely moored at their anchorage official visits were exchanged. The special of the contraction with the ceremonial procession of the American salors through the streets of Sydney on Friday." (He Chronicle from Sydney markable Demonstrations was the conclusion of a few words he mentioned the procession of the contraction of the contraction was a