

Backed Up By Colonies

Chamberlain on Their Readiness to Assist in Disciplining the Transvaal.

Liberal Leader in Commons Deprecates Suggestion to Use Force There.

But After Long Discussion the Subject Drops Without Divisions.

By Associated Press.
London, July 28.—In the House of Commons today the colonial office was furnished with the Liberals with an opportunity for a debate upon the government policy in the Transvaal.
Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, Liberal leader, said he thought that, in view of the negotiations pending, reticence and reserve must rule in the debate. While he did not sympathize with the Boer opposition to the franchise, he saw nothing to be gained from the beginning to the end of the story to justify armed intervention. War in South Africa with one of the states would be one of the direst calamities possible. The speaker pleaded for further friendly and prudent action through the Dutch sympathizers at the Cape. He saw no reason why this should not achieve conspicuous success, as such a course had done in Canada in time merely due to the action of the Transvaal. It was not a question of a five or seven years' franchise, but of the power and authority of the Empire and the position of Great Britain in South Africa. Referring to the offer of colonial help, Mr. Chamberlain said it matters were happily arranged. It was always a satisfaction to think that in time of necessity the country might count upon the loyalty of the colonies.
The house adopted the colonial office vote without a division after a protracted debate upon the South African policy of the government.
In the House of Lords the Earl of Camperdown called attention to the Transvaal situation. The Earl of Don, the Conservative, declared that any departure from the recognized policy of the government would be an act of insupportable danger to the position of Great Britain, not only in South Africa, but it might shake the imperial relations of Great Britain with itself. Lord Selborne, under secretary for the colonies, made a statement similar to that made in the House of Commons by Mr. Chamberlain.
London, July 28.—The morning papers generally express satisfaction with the result of yesterday's debate in the house. The Times says: "The result of the discussion is all that the minister could desire. If it has done nothing else, it has exploded the delusion that Mr. Chamberlain's variance with Mr. Balfour and Lord Salisbury in the Transvaal controversy." The Standard echoes the remarks of the Times.
The Daily News remarks upon the large measure of agreement which the debate revealed between the Liberal and Conservative parties, and says: "When this fact is recognized it ought to have a salutary effect in South Africa and contribute in the powerful settlement."

MINERS KILLED AT SANDON.

Premature Explosion Slays One Man Instantly and mangles Another.

By Associated Press.
Sandon, B. C., July 28.—A serious accident occurred here today at the Sovereign mine, whereby Ellis Williams, a well experienced miner, lost his life, and his comrade was severely and probably fatally injured.
Williams left here yesterday to do contract work at the Sovereign, and just started work today. They had tumbled about 20 feet and were drilling more holes and loading, when somehow or other, whether through striking the caps too hard or the fuse being too short, is not known, three or four charges went off simultaneously, killing Williams and injuring his partner, Crowe.
Flowers left here immediately to attend to the injuries of Crowe, who is being brought down on the backs of his comrades. It is thought that he cannot recover.
SANTIAGO'S SURRENDER.
Spanish Generals Soon to Face Trial for Their Unwilling Capitulation.
Madrid, July 28.—The trial of Generals Toral and Barceñas and others for surrendering Santiago de Cuba will begin on Monday before the supreme court martial, and it is expected to occupy six or seven sittings of the court.
It is stated that General Barceñas, who was governor-general of Cuba during the late war, was signed a deposition to the effect that he gave General Toral permission to surrender all of the district under his command, with the exception of the town of Manzanillo, to the government by a telegram from General Linares, General Toral's predecessor, which was sent after General Linares had been wounded, appealing to the nation to say if the troops at Santiago had not sustained the honor of the army, adding: "It is necessary that a sacrifice be made, and that some one must assume responsibility for the events foreseen and foretold in my dispatches, I offer myself in loyalty and for the good of my country, no matter what the outcome. I will assume the responsibility of signing the surrender."

MUST PAY GAS BILLS.

Companies May Cut Off Supply From All Property of Delinquents.
London, July 28.—The Privy Council has dismissed the appeal from the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada in the case of the Montreal Gas Co. against Cadieux. The court held that a consumer was liable to pay for the gas supplied to him, and therefore the company was justified in cutting off the gas from Cadieux's two houses because he had not paid for gas used in one of them.

ABERNATH'S MISHAPS.

One Alights in a Lake and is Drowned, Another Killed by a Fall.
Hillsdale, Mich., July 28.—Bert Kimball, of North Adams, Mich., an aeronaut, was drowned at Bawbee's park yesterday afternoon. His parachute dropped in the middle of Bawbee's lake.
Streator, Ill., July 28.—Aeronaut Thayer, of Niles, Mich., fell 2000 feet and was fatally injured here yesterday. His parachute failed to open in this city, was to have taken place last night.

CHICAGO LABOR TROUBLES.

Chicago, July 28.—Officials of organized labor here announce that the brick-makers' strike is liable to precipitate a general walkout of the building trades unions, with a force of 50,000 strong. Committees from the brick-makers' alliance began their work today.

MANY A LOVER.

Has turned with disgust from a otherwise lovable girl with an offensive breath. Karl's Clover Root Tea purifies the breath by its action upon the glands, etc., as nothing else will. Sold for years on absolute guarantee. Price 25 cents and 50 cents. Sold by Henderson Bros.

SAMOA FAIR FROM TRANQUIL.

Natives Continue Their Quarrel Over Claims to Kingship—Chief Justice Leaves in a Huff.
San Francisco, July 28.—Samoa arrived under date of July 14 were received today by the steamer Moana, as follows:
"The situation in Samoa is one of great uneasiness, the attitude of the natives being far from reassuring. Several fights have occurred in different parts of the island by supporters of the rivals for the kingship, and several natives have been killed."
"Nothing much seems to have been accomplished by the high commission since arms to the number of 400 were surrendered by the contending factions, satisfied with the support extended to his court by the commissioners, will leave today for Washington. Their action in retaining the aid asked for to sustain the court's authority is said to have been prompted by dispatches received from the German commissioner which, it is claimed, is greatly displeased with the recognition of the decision of the supreme court in the kingship case.
"The commissioners expect to sail for the United States on the Badger on July 16."

VANCOUVER AFFAIRS.

Bicycle Racks at Last Permitted—Driver's Escape From Suffocation.

Vancouver, July 28.—The breathing tubes in Diver Llewellyn's apparatus became fouled yesterday and Llewellyn narrowly escaped suffocation. He barely had strength enough left to pull the signal to haul him up from the bottom of the inlet. Although gasping for breath when the helmet was taken off, he had completely recovered in a few minutes.
A man named Goad, of Bridgetown, Barbados Islands, died in the city hospital yesterday. He stated that his people were wealthy, though he was wandering around the world almost destitute.
Bicycle racks are to be allowed on the streets of Vancouver at last, mainly through the efforts of Ald. Skinner, who has been in front of his store and left it there, contrary to all mandates and objections, while he fought the issue in the courts and at the council meetings. Each store is to be allowed one rack of reasonable dimensions.
The preferential trade resolution was withdrawn today, owing to the impossibility of arriving at an agreement.
Ministers' Salaries.
Sir Charles Tupper approved the increased salaries to Messrs. Paterson and Joly.
Insolvency.
A warm discussion took place on the government's neglect to introduce insolvency legislation.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier announced that the provinces are being besieged with to pass laws uniform with those of Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia, thus removing the necessity for a federal act.
A Forgery in Evidence.
Some startling evidence was forthcoming at the privileges committee today. In No. 2 poll, Colborne, two ballots were discovered which Morris, the deputy returning officer, who was on the stand, swore were a forgery, as also his initials on the back.

HYPOCRITES IN COURT.

"Viewed With Alarm" Thirty-Eight Millions Expenditure and Now Spending Sixty Millions.
Winnipeg, July 28.—(Special)—The Mail says: "It is now intimated that the railway subsidies will aggregate \$6,000,000, and this will make the total vote for this session \$90,000,000. What has become of Cartright? We heard of him before he went into the government as a great economist, 'viewing with alarm' \$39,000,000 expenditure. Then it was said he was awaiting an opportunity to speak out; now he is absolutely dumb."

MANAGER HASTINGS TO BE RESIDENT DIRECTOR AND CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR TORONTO INTERESTS.

Rosland, July 28.—John B. Hastings, general manager of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines, has received a well-earned promotion. In future he will be resident director and consulting engineer in all the Gooderham-Blackstock holdings.
Edmund B. Kirby, of Denver, Col., an eminent mining engineer and mineralogist, has been appointed general manager for the War Eagle and Centre Star mines, assuming the duties of his position today.
Mr. Blackstock, in making these announcements, stated that the development of the War Eagle and Centre Star has assumed such proportions that they demanded the undivided attention of one manager.
Great satisfaction is expressed throughout the camp at Mr. Hastings' promotion. It is understood that a still further extension of interest is contemplated by the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate, and development of present holdings will be more rapidly pushed.

ACCOUNTANT SET FREE.

No Proof of Complicity in Thefts From La Banque Ville Marie.
Montreal, July 28.—In the police court today Lemiex, the accountant of the suspended Banque Ville Marie, accused of complicity in the theft of \$58,000 from the bank, was discharged, there being no proof against him. Herbert, the paying teller, has not yet been arrested.

RUSSIA COURTING TROUBLE.

London, July 28.—According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail, the Russian government has introduced a compulsory passport system for Tallenwan and Port Arthur, preventing Englishmen and Americans from travelling there.

HARD HITTING.

London, July 28.—At the close of play today the Australians had scored 338 runs for two wickets down.

Prohibition Hedging.

Liberal Champions in the House Excuse Government for Refusing It.

This Subject and Insolvency Referred to Provinces—Preferential Trade Dropped.

Forgery of Ballots and Initials Added to West Huron Iniquities.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Ottawa, July 28.—Mr. Flint's provincial prohibition resolution occupied the attention of the house this afternoon and evening. Mr. Flint made a labored effort to defend the government for not introducing a general act.
Sir Charles Tupper strongly denounced the government for their secret understanding in reference to requiring a majority of the total electoral vote to be cast before giving Dominion prohibition, while permitting the friends of prohibition to believe that a majority of the votes recorded on the question would secure a victory for them.
Mr. McClure moved an amendment, declaring the country ripe for a federal prohibitory law. Mr. Paterson moved in amendment to the amendment that the result of the plebiscite justified the government in adopting the course it had taken.
At 2 a. m. Mr. Lemiex of Gaspé moved the adjournment of the debate.

A MILLION A MONTH.

The Comfortable Figure Reached by Profits on C. P. R. Operations.
Montreal, July 28.—(Special)—The gross earnings of the C. P. R. for June 1899, were \$2,392,278; working expenses, \$1,830,838; net profits \$561,440. In June, 1898, the net profits were \$817,395.
For the six months ending June 30, 1899, the figures are as follows: Gross earnings, \$12,688,393; working expenses, \$7,666,110; net profits, \$5,022,283. For the six months ending June 30, 1898, there was a net profit of \$4,153,977.

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GRAND FORKS.

C. P. R. Officials Expect First Train There Before End of August.
Grand Forks, July 28.—A prominent party of C. P. R. officials have left here to continue the inspection of the line as far as Midway. The visitors included William Whyte, general manager west of Port William; R. Marpole, superintendent of the Pacific division; L. A. Hamilton, land commissioner, Winnipeg; W. F. Tyt, chief engineer; and J. G. Sullivan, assistant chief engineer. They were accompanied by G. C. Chipman, chief commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company.
The visitors came into the Boundary country over the Columbia and Western. Mr. Whyte, expressed themselves as being very much pleased with the enormous development in the surrounding mining camps, which would make it one of the leading cities of British Columbia. Mr. Whyte informed Mr. Graves that his company had filed plans at Victoria providing for a branch from the main line south of the city along the east bank of the North Fork of Kettle river to the smelter site, and hence northward, striking the main line near Hope, B. C.
The visitors said they were well pleased at the condition of the railway as far as completed. They expect it to be running into Grand Forks not later than the third week in August.
At Midway they will confer with the engineers, who have been making surveys for several months past, respecting the best route for the extension of the road to the point on the main line near Hope, B. C.

SICK HEADACHES.

The curse of overworked womanhood, are quickly and surely cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great blood purifier and tissue-builder. Money refunded if not satisfactory. Price 25 cents and 50 cents. Sold by Henderson Bros.

SALISBURY'S FIRM ATTITUDE.

Having Put Their Hands to the Plough in South Africa, Government Will Not Withdraw.
London, July 28.—In the House of Lords today, Lord Salisbury remained the house that he absolutely dissented from the policy of 1881, which was tainted with the great fault of optimism. Nevertheless President Kruger assented to the protocol of the 1881 convention for the friendly co-operation of the races, while he has since taken an absolutely opposite line, his one effort being to separate the English and South African governments and to reduce the English to the status of a subjugated race. If the concessions demanded were carried out, the government might look for a peaceful solution of the crisis, but Her Majesty's government having put their hands to the plough, certainly did not intend to withdraw them.

VILLIE MARIE BANK SUSPENDS.

Two Officials Steal Fifty-Eight Thousand Dollars and Cripple the Funds.
Confess Their Guilt but Escape Before Action for Their Arrest.
Special to the Colonist.
Montreal, July 25.—La Banque Ville Marie is in financial difficulties and was not doing business today. The cause of the suspension is reported by the bank officials to be defalcation by Accountant A. Lemieux and Teller J. J. Herbert. The bank is a comparatively small one, and the results are not likely to be of a serious nature. The president is William Weir, who is well and favorably known in banking circles throughout the Dominion.
The amount of the defalcation is said to be \$58,000. Herbert is accused of taking the money, while Lemieux is suspected of being an accomplice. Requests will be sent out to the leading United States cities to arrest the men if they can be located. It is stated on good authority that banking circles have known of the bank's troubles since the first of the week, and that they have been proceeding with a view of protecting themselves, with the result that there was a balance against La Banque Ville Marie in the clearing house today of about \$75,000. In view of the circumstances the directors decided not to go on today, and the bank suspended business.
It also seems that Lemieux and Herbert admitted on Saturday last that there was a defalcation, but it was not known then how much it was.

NEW OARSMAN SETS THE PACE.

Canadian Amateurs to the Fore at the National Association Regatta.
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DOMINION NEWS NOTES.

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Wrecked His Steamer.
Halifax, July 28.—The court of inquiry which investigated the wreck of the passenger steamer Portia to the west of Halifax harbor on July 10, gave out a decision today. The whole blame for the disaster is placed on Captain A. J. Farrell and his master's certificate is declared suspended in consequence for six months.
Visiting St. Lawrence.
Halifax, July 28.—The British cruisers Crescent and Prosperine, and the torpedo-boat destroyer Quail will sail from Halifax for Quebec and Montreal on August 5, and the cruiser Ipedefatigable for Bermuda on Tuesday next. It is reported she is going to visit a second commission on the British American station.
A Doctor's Misfortune.
Newmarket, July 28.—John C. Wasson, of the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons, Toronto, met with a tragic end last night at Col. Lloyd's camp, Orchard Beach, Lake Simcoe. He was riding a bicycle at a rapid rate when he fell off in some way, alighting on a tent pole, which penetrated his bowels and caused death in a short time.
Pony's New Trial.
Toronto, July 28.—It is authoritatively announced that the Ponsonby trial will take place at the Cobourg fall assizes, which commence September 19, before Chancellor Boyd, the crown expects final issue at this trial.
A Government Job.
Toronto, July 28.—E. W. O. Moscrop, of St. Mary's, is appointed local registrar in the county court and surrogate registrar, in place of James McFadden, retired through age.
TRAIN OVER EMBANKMENT.
Four Men Killed and Several Injured in Accident on Nova Scotia Line.
Halifax, July 28.—(Special)—Four men were hauled to death and several more seriously injured on the Midland railway about 1 o'clock today. Details of the accident are very meagre, but it is said that a passenger train jumped the track near Little River, Hants county, and rolled over the embankment. It is reported that at least seven are injured.
GIRLS DROWNED.
Montreal, July 28.—Gladys Hodgson, daughter of Henry A. Hodgson, of Westmount, and Edith Judge, in charge, were drowned together while bathing at Ste. Agathe.
FIRST RACE TO AMERICANS.
Seawanhaka Cup Defender Badly Handled and Outailed by Challenger.
By Associated Press.
Dorval, July 28.—The first day's race for the Seawanhaka Cup has resulted in victory for the American challenger Constance over the Canadian defender Glencairn by 1 1/2 minutes, 15 seconds.
The result was a surprise to the large crowd of men who were present at the course to see the race. Designer G. Hendrick Deagan's good luck had been a provincial matter, but his supporters were willing to back their opinions in a tangible manner. There was a very large crowd of spectators.
After considerable manoeuvring about the starting point, the preparatory gun was fired at 10:45, and ten minutes later the whistle blew for the start. The Constance crossed the line first, in 1:53:05, followed by the Glencairn just a second later. The first leg was to windward and hence the Constance showed up well. There was a slightly perceptible gain for the Constance until the boats began to tack, and the Glencairn proceeded to tack practically for a buoy somewhat out of the course for the day. At any rate, the Constance had the first buoy 4 minutes and 48 seconds before the Glencairn. It was when tacking for this buoy that the Glencairn drew ahead, and she rounded the buoy rather south altogether. How the Glencairn's skipper, who knows the lake so well, tacked out so far as to apparently be making for another buoy was variously commented upon. At any rate it was here that the Canadian boat made her greatest loss, as the Constance turned the buoy, as above stated, nearly five minutes ahead of her, and while the American led from the start to the finish, the Glencairn gained on every subsequent leg with the exception of the second leg of the second round, when she lost five seconds.
A notable feature of the race was that in going round the buoys the Glencairn could get her spinnaker out immediately, while the Constance was much slower, covering 15 to 20 yards before doing so. This was a straight gain of at least five seconds for the Canadian yacht in this single instance. The Glencairn ran much better before the wind, her large spinnaker giving her this advantage, but the American boat did not mind the better, the Constance pointing almost straight into the wind.
The moderate southwest breeze of the morning stiffened slightly as the day progressed, but again moderated somewhat. The sailing of today showed that the American boat has the advantage in the lighter wind, and beating to windward she can show the Glencairn the way, but before the wind is at some disadvantage on account of tacks and the better Mr. O'Grain and his crew received the congratulations of the many friends they made in Montreal upon their day's success, and the Canadian crew took their defeat in a sportsmanlike spirit. The course to-morrow will be triangular. The latest time of the Constance was 2 hours, 20 minutes, 25 seconds; and the lapsed time of the Glencairn 2 hours, 20 minutes, 40 seconds. The officials started the race at 1:53:05, and the finish at 4:13:28.

ACCEPTED THE VERDICT.

Hon. Joseph Martin Yesterday Resigned His Position as Attorney-General.
All His Old Friends Went Back on Him at the Government Caucus.
Promises to Be Revenged on the Men Who Accomplished His Defeat.
Hon. Joseph Martin has accepted the verdict rendered at the government caucus on Monday evening, and has forwarded to the Provincial Secretary his resignation of the office of attorney-general. It will be placed in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor immediately upon his return from Atlin, and until he has passed upon it, of course no further steps can be taken.
In the meantime, there will be practically no attorney-general of British Columbia, as Mr. Martin yesterday took leave of the officials in the law department of the government, and will not return to the Parliament buildings as a minister of the crown in the present government, at any rate.
This information is not official, as the members of the government still maintain silence, and Mr. Martin still continues to refuse to supply the Colonist with any information. He has declared to his chief supporters in Vancouver, who came over to be near at hand during the caucus, was immediately apprised of the fact, as he did not appear to consider that secrecy was necessary. This was early in the afternoon, and later in the day when approached by some of his Victoria friends, the late Attorney-General confirmed the news.
There was also a report, emanating from Vancouver, that Mr. Martin proposed to resign his seat and test his strength in Vancouver. This was not credited, and in fact is not at all likely, as both the caucus and the fact he has promised to make it warm for those who threw him over, and the best way to accomplish that end is to remain in the house.
The politician from Winnipeg is not going out like a lamb, nor does he take his defeat calmly. He has declared his intention to be revenged on all and sundry who contributed to his downfall, and has told those whom he met most of the course he intends to pursue in some cases he got quite excited and showed how keenly he felt the turn of affairs. He said that he would be remembered that the result of the caucus was an entire surprise to Mr. Martin. He was quite sure that he could command the support of a majority of the members, and although he learned early in the evening that some of his friends had gone back on him, he was not prepared for the overwhelming defeat which he met. He had counted on the support of all the Liberal members, but in this respect his hopes were disappointed early in the day. Mr. Deane, the member for North Yale, one of those who worked good hard to have Mr. Martin included in the cabinet, was one of the first to be approached, and soon let his former supporter know that he could no longer be counted upon. This was a rather severe blow to the Attorney-General, as he had been hoping that Mr. Deane would have kept Mr. Deane in the legislature by the notorious bill to confirm Messrs. Deane and Freestone in their seats, he thought that Mr. Deane at least would stand by him. But since the prorog