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THE TROOPSHIP EXPECTED AT HALIFAX SATURDAY NIGHT.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—(Special)—The Elder Dempster people telegraphed the militia department tonight that the Lake Champlain will reach Halifax Saturday night or Sunday morning. Lieut. Col. Foster will go to Halifax and go on board there, accompanying the steamer to St. John. He will pay off the men on the way.

SOME AT HALIFAX

Nova Scotia and Island Men Will Land There. Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 17.—(Special)—A cable received at the militia department this evening from Lord Strathcona, says that the Lake Champlain will call at Halifax to land made and a few tons of cargo and will afterward proceed to St. John. It is likely that members of the contingent from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island will also land at Halifax.

COMMANDING OFFICERS' REPORTS

A Very Plucky Performance by Canadian Mounted Rifles.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Another batch of reports from commanding officers in South Africa, were received today at the militia department. Lt. Col. Evans, commanding the Canadian Mounted Rifles, sends his report from Belfast and refers to the death of Lt. Chalmers in action on Nov. 2. The advance guard consisted of sixty of the Canadian Mounted Rifles under the command of Major Sanders. The advance party was commanded by Lt. Chalmers and was accompanied by a guide who had given them the wrong directions. When the advance party reached the enemy the main column had branched off to the right and was nearly two miles away. Lt. Chalmers' troop engaged the enemy from a spur projecting from the main ridge. The advance guard, although largely outnumbered and in a most dangerous position, held its place under severe rifle fire. An order came from G. O. C. to retire. The retirement of the advance party to the support was conducted by Lt. Chalmers in a most skillful manner under severe rifle fire. Further retirement, which was carried out steadily, was also conducted in a most skillful manner. Lt. Chalmers was killed, and fell upon his horse. An order came from G. O. C. to give him his horse, and Major Sanders gave him his horse, and Major Sanders gave him his horse, and Major Sanders gave him his horse.

CARDINAL VAUGHAN'S PASTORAL

The Missionary Work of Years Entirely Undone. London, Dec. 17.—Cardinal Vaughan has issued a pastoral, which was read from the pulpits of the Catholic churches here yesterday, dealing the missionaries of Catholics in China. The cardinal declared that the Catholic church in China was made up of 750,000 communicants and included 35,000 priests and 415 native priests. All work of the Catholic church throughout the most of the Chinese empire has been swept away. The material loss represented 4,718 churches and chapels, 4,000 elementary schools, 47 seminaries and a number of other schools. His eminence described the upheaval as primarily a revolt against Christianity but its most recent reaction was aroused by foreign, especially Russian and German, encroachments on Chinese territory.

DR. PARKER AS AN EDITOR.

He Replaces the Sporting Column With a Sermon. London, Dec. 17.—The first issue of the London Sun under the editorship of Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, of the City Temple, appears this afternoon. The column where the betting is usually published contains under the caption "Latest news" "The wages of sin is death," and other well known text, followed by a vigorous protest against gambling. The article declares: "If a paper cannot live six days without pandering to the gambler, the drinker and the sensualist, let it wither away." In another editorial Dr. Parker urges the magistrates to "Apply the cat and whip out Hooliganism." Otherwise the paper is much the same as usual, the advertising columns being filled with company prospectuses and the news columns announcing "Another ghastly case of tragedy."

THE SEMINARY FIRE.

Seven Bodies to Be Interred in One Grave. Fredonia, N. Y., Dec. 17.—The body of the janitor, P. Morris, was found at the exit of the burned school building this morning by the workmen. It was buried under two feet of debris. It was thought he was just about to make his escape when the flames overtook him and perished. All of the seven bodies were interred in one grave in Forest Hill cemetery Wednesday afternoon, and it has been decided to erect a beautiful granite monument over the grave to commemorate their memory.

Li Hung Chang Now Has the Influenza.

Beijing, Dec. 17.—A despatch received here from Peking, dated December 16th, says Li Hung Chang is suffering from influenza. The despatch also adds that the Dowager Empress is going to Cheng Tu, province of Sze Chuen.

THE HAZING FATALITY. AFTER STRANGE GODS, AMERICAN LEGISLATION.

Military Board Getting the Story Under Oath. American Democracy Needs a Moses. The House and the Senate Hard at Work.

A CLASSMATE

Says Tobacco Sauce Was Poured Down Cadets' Throats, but Not Enough to Hurt—A Doctor Says Cadet Booze Died from Tuberculosis of the Throat. Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—The taking of testimony in the case of Oscar L. Booze, the West Point cadet who died two weeks ago from injuries which his parents allege were inflicted at the West Point Military Academy, was begun today in the court of inquiry. Three witnesses were heard during the day. Dr. J. S. O'Brien, a throat specialist who had attended Oscar Booze during the past summer, said that Oscar had tuberculosis of the throat. The doctor said he noticed that Booze had a sore throat when he was in camp. Booze had a sore throat when he was in camp. Booze had a sore throat when he was in camp.

THE FORMER PRESIDENT

Says That a Return to First Principles Is Needed to Put the Party Once More in Power -- Democratic Doctrines Have Been Neglected. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 17.—The Atlanta Journal this afternoon published an interview with former President Cleveland, obtained by a staff correspondent at Princeton, N. J. Mr. Cleveland is quoted as follows: "In my opinion the great need of the Democratic party is a return to first principles. The Democratic party has not been fully reorganized, but it needs rehabilitation on purely Democratic lines."

SMALL BUSINESS

Transacted in Both Houses -- A Patronage and Patriotism Suggestion Which Was Not Received -- Senate Considering the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty. Washington, Dec. 17.—Under suspension of the rules of the house today passed bills to divide Kentucky and West Virginia into two judicial districts, to create another district judge in the northern district of Ohio, and to refer to the secretary of the interior for investigation the claim of the state of Texas for money expended on public improvements in Greer county, before the decision of the Supreme Court placed it within the jurisdiction of Oklahoma. An attempt was made to pass a bill to give soldiers and sailors of the civil war, the Spanish war, and the war in the Philippines preference in the matter of appointment and to retention in positions in the executive departments of the government, but it aroused opposition on the necessity of a return to Democratic doctrines in the south, but they are not so general as I would like to see.

THE DREYFUS AFFAIR AGAIN.

French Amnesty Bill Bring It Before the CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES. Paris, Dec. 17.—In the chamber of deputies today, during the debate on the amnesty bill, M. Vazeille, Radical Socialist, said that the Dreyfus affair should be reopened. He said that the Dreyfus affair should be reopened. He said that the Dreyfus affair should be reopened. He said that the Dreyfus affair should be reopened.

THE PREMIER SAYS IT IS NOT CUSTOMARY TO ACCEPT THE WORD OF FOREIGN AMBASSADORS IN CASES OF ESPIONAGE.

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THE DEBTS OF TURKEY.

Great Britain Has a Few Bills Against the Turk. Washington, Dec. 17.—Captain Chester called the navy department today from Smyrna, notice of the departure of the battleship Kentucky for Port Said, on her way to Manila. The captain said that the state department that the reported intention of Great Britain to press at this moment for a settlement of the claims of the United States against Turkey, would have a disastrous effect upon American negotiations in the interests of the American missions. The state department never has been officially informed that the Turkish government had arranged to pay American claims, although the British action is said to be predicated upon a belief that American claims had been settled. The Turkish government will use the fact as a basis for declining to pay at present.

RECORDS BURNED.

The Navy Yard Fire Was a Serious Affair. Washington, Dec. 17.—It is said that a serious loss has been suffered by the navy in the fire at the Norfolk navy yard yesterday. The fire destroyed valuable records that cannot be replaced and many necessary plans which can only be replaced at much expense in time and money.

NO CANADIAN LLOYDS.

Dominion Government Will Not Go Into Insurance Business. Ottawa, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Sir Louis Davies' withdrawal from the insurance business has been announced. The government will not go into insurance business. The government will not go into insurance business.

MARITIME PROVINCE BREEDERS

A Party Returning from the Guelph Fat Cattle Show. Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Among those here today on their way back from the Fat Cattle show at Guelph were B. Elderkin, of Amherst; Lieut. Col. Campbell, of Annapolis; C. R. Smallwood, of Charlottetown; A. C. Starr, of Wolfville; N. S. J. E. Wood, of Halifax; W. W. Blue, and A. L. Pugsley, of Amherst; N. S. J. E. Wood, of Halifax; J. F. Tully, of Woodstock; L. P. Farris and Mr. Harry Mitchell, of Fredericton. They were entertained at luncheon by Hon. Mr. Fisher, minister of agriculture, and left for home by the afternoon train.

THE BOERS HAVE AGAIN INVADDED CAPE COLONY.

Cape Town, Dec. 17.—Seven hundred Boers have crossed from Orange River Colony into Cape Colony near Alval North and have reached Kaapstad. failed to locate the enemy's pom-pom. On the morning of the 25th the enemy's pom-pom opened from the south on the oxen in its second position, and killed one ox until silenced by a shell from the 4.7 gun. Meanwhile it was found that some of the enemy had crept up during the night and held the water, about a mile and a half from the river bridge which they had crossed. At 10 a. m. the column having been reinforced by the Essex Regiment and half the Dublin Fusiliers, and some 500 of Strathcona's Horse, with ammunition for all arms, it was decided to turn the enemy out of the ditches on each side of the line, and to recover the water. Three companies of the Welsh Fusiliers therefore advanced on the north side of the line, and one company of the Scots Fusiliers on the south side. They were received by a terrific fusillade by the Boers on both sides of the line, but continued their attack to within 50 yards of the ditches, when the enemy deserted their camp, and streamed out into the open north of the line, leaving in the meantime killed Captain Baile and twenty-two men, and wounded several officers (Capt. Dick and Lieut. Best) and several men.

KITCHENER TELLS OF CAPTURE.

Says a Hundred and Seven of Brabant's Horse Were Taken. London, Dec. 17.—General Kitchener, in a despatch received by the war office, contains the Associated Press despatch from Alval North, Cape Colony, of last night, announcing the capture by the Boers of a detachment of Brabant's Horse, December 13, near Zaarfontein, Orange River Colony, and says 107 men were made prisoners on that occasion.

A FIGHT WITH DE WET.

Details of a Successful Engagement With De Wet. Details are now to hand of General Barton's successful engagement with De Wet at Fredericstad on the 25th ult. General Barton, with a force consisting of two regiments, the Royal Welsh and Royal Scots Fusiliers, 300 cavalry, the Seventy-eighth Battery, three pom-poms, and an 4.7 naval gun, reaching Fredericstad on Oct. 17, driving the enemy before him, and pitched his camp in the plain, holding the kopjes on each side. On the 19th Lieut. Alfred went out with a wagon, escorted by 100 men of Marshall's Horse, on a foraging expedition, which ended disastrously, Lieut. Alfred, Conductor Robinson, and five of Marshall's Horse being captured.

MONDAY PRODUCED A CROP OF ELECTION PROTESTS.

Fredricton, Dec. 17.—(Special)—This was the last day for entering protests against the candidates returned at the Dominion election held on November 7 last, and has been anxiously looked forward to by many politicians. Mr. A. George Blair, jr., agent for the Liberal position, and Mr. Henry A. Powell, Conservative agent, arrived here this morning. Mr. Powell was accompanied by Mr. W. H. Thorne. The representatives of Dr. McLeod have been working hard in order to collect the necessary \$100 security for entry. It is said that he has been in the Tory party here were much against the protest being filed, but that after Mr. Harry McLeod visited the clerk of peace's office and filed a petition against the return of Alexander Gibson, jr. Shortly afterward Messrs. Powell and Blair arrived and filed petitions against the return of Mr. F. H. Hald in Charlton, Mr. G. W. Wilton in Sunbury-Quebec, Mr. G. W. Fowler in Kings.

TWO IN QUEBEC.

Protests Against Prefontaine and Ethier. Montreal, Dec. 17.—Protests have been filed against the election of Mayor Prefontaine in Terrebonne and Mr. Ethier in Two Mountains, both Liberals. The usual grounds are stated. The disqualification of Mr. Ethier is asked for.

NOVA SCOTIA PETITIONS.

Three Conservatives and One Liberal Objected To. Halifax, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Petitions were filed this afternoon against the returns of S. F. Gourlay for Colchester county, the positions being Farnham, McOure, Tupper and Bill for Pictou (Cons.); Bredan, for Halifax (Cons.); Robie, for Halifax (Cons.) in North Wellington, and N. A. Belcourt, Liberal, in Ottawa. Mr. Campbell, Liberal, claims the seat in North Bruce on the grounds of his disqualification by bankruptcy, that 30 persons were allowed to vote on taking the case of office holders who were disqualified under the provincial law. The usual corruption charges were alleged in the other cases.

ONTARIO PROTESTS.

At Toronto Four Were Filed Against Conservatives and One Against a Liberal. Toronto, Dec. 17.—(Special)—Protests were filed today against the return of Alexander McNeil, Conservative, in North Bruce; G. J. Thomson, Conservative, in West Durham; R. A. Pringle, Conservative, in Cornwall and Stormont; Edward Tolton, Conservative, in North Wellington, and N. A. Belcourt, Liberal, in Ottawa. Mr. Campbell, Liberal, claims the seat in North Bruce on the grounds of his disqualification by bankruptcy, that 30 persons were allowed to vote on taking the case of office holders who were disqualified under the provincial law. The usual corruption charges were alleged in the other cases.

DEMAND OF ASSIGNMENT.

John McRae Appointed Provisional Guardian of the Temple Company's Affairs. Montreal, Dec. 17.—(Special)—A demand of assignment has been made on Thomas Temple & Son, insurance agents, by John McRae, insurance clerk. Temple & Son have an office at St. John, N. B., and were managers of the Victoria-Montreal Insurance Company, which has been in legal difficulties. McRae has been appointed provisional guardian.

CARTERS' STRIKE.

Say Grand Trunk Contractors Are Hiring Non-union Men. Montreal, Dec. 17.—(Special)—The carters of Shedden & Co., Grand Trunk Railway contractors for carrying freight, numbering 200 men, struck today. They say the old employees have been discharged without fair reason and replaced by non-union men.

LIQUOR FOR AFRICA.

The Senate Willing to Regulate Its Importation. Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate in executive session today agreed to give its adhesion to the convention to regulate the importation of intoxicating liquors into certain regions of Africa.

MINERS STRIKING AGAIN.

Twelve Hundred Men and Boys Stop Work at Shamokin. Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 17.—Twelve hundred men and boys of the Nautilus colliery, operated by the Shamokin Coal Co. struck today because 15 blacksmiths and carpenters had not been given the ten per cent. increase in wages.