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SOO LOCK WRECKED VESSELS IN DANGER

Steamer Carries Away Lower Gates and Rush of Water Collides Assiniboia With Crescent City.

SUPERIOR WATER NOW RUSHING THRU CANAL

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., June 9.—(Special.)—This afternoon the Canadian Soo locks were practically put out of commission by one of the worst accidents that ever happened in marine circles in the Soo or vicinity.

At the present time, water from Lake Superior is pouring thru locks in a torrent ,and it will probably be a month before the locks are again available for the marine trade. The overflow of water threatens to wash out the piers at the foot of the locks.

Three boats, the Assiniboia of the C.P.R. line, the Perry G. Walker of the Gilchrist fleet, and the Crescent City, all figured in the accident.

At two this afternoon the Assiniboia was in the locks, bound down, followed by the Crescent City, which had not yet entered the upper gate. The Walker was coming up the river, presumably to lock thru on an up trip.

Just as the Crescent was entering the canal, and before the gates could be closed at the upper end, the Walker crashed into the lower gates, breaking them and allowing the Assiniboia and Crescent to rush down with the overflow of water.

The Assiniboia missed the Walker, barely grazing her side, but the Crescent dashed into her and received a hole in her side six feet square. The Walker also was considerably damaged.

The Crescent and Assiniboia proceeded to the Michigan side. The Assiniboia seems to have suffered minor injuries, while the Crescent is now lying on bottom. The Walker reached the centre of the river and grounded, and was later towed to the Michigan side by two tugs.

The entire town was excited this evening over the accident, and hundreds have visited the canal. Water is pouring thru in a torrent, and unless the flow is stopped soon property below the canal will suffer.

When the boats came down after the accident they traveled at 15 miles per hour thru the lock and it is a miracle that they escaped as easily as they did. Had the Assiniboia turned turtle in the locks not a passenger would have escaped.

A movable dam at the head of the locks is being placed in position in an endeavor to have th locks repaired, but since it has not yet been tried there is some doubt as to its effectiveness. The four large gates have been swept away, and there remain only the frail emergency gates, which are not of much use, providing the dam refuses to work.

MINISTERS SUPERANNUATED

Committee on Conference Relations Makes Recommendations.

At a meeting of the ministerial section of the Toronto Methodist Conference yesterday Rev. John Locke was elected chairman of the committee on conference relations, and the following superannuations were recommended: Rev. W. P. Brown, one year; Rev. S. H. Edwards, one year; Rev. John H. Trollope of Toronto West District, permanently; Rev. G. D. Scott, permanent; Rev. John Wilson, Collingwood District, permanent; Rev. C. Fry of Orangeville District, permanent.

Re the Rev. J. H. Stonehouse of Brampton District: The matter in dispute over the number of years he has served was referred to the superannuation fund committee.; re the Rev. George Leitch, no recommendation was made.

It was recommended that Monteith be made a new mission.

Special ordination was received for the following: Elijah Brown, R. R. Nicholson and F. N. Bowes, B.A.

The Rev. R. H. Brett of Bradford, Rev. A. B. Chambers and A. Harrison Booth, M.A.,B.D., were all left without stations at their own request. Rev. George R. Turk is to be allowed to engage in evangelical work.

The following will be ordained at Elm-street church on Sunday night, when Rev. Dr. Little of Evanston, Ill., will preach. These are: Messrs. A. Harrison Booth, M.A.,B.D., who will take a post graduate college course; Wm. Levi L. Lawrence, B.A., who is to be stationed at Elk Lake; H. Howard Eaton, who will go to Rosseau; Archer Wallace, who is to be sent to Cochrane; George E. Coulter, to be stationed at South River, and A. E. Owen of Englehart, who goes to Gore Bay.

WANT "CREW FOREMAN"

Job For Good Man Who Will Put Up $200.

Harry Rose, an Englishman, and Charles B. Tracey, a Californian, were arrested at York and King-streets last night by Detectives Kennedy and Twigg. They are charged with vagrancy in that they have not what appeals to the police as "visible means of support."

They have been advertising for a "crew foreman," who is to be paid $125 per month. He is to solicit advertising in Cobalt and other places, but before he does either he is expected to put up $200 just to prove that he is really on the job. Men working a similar game were chased from the city a year ago.

FACTS ABOUT THE SOO CANAL

This canal has been constructed thru St. Mary's Island, on the north side of the rapids of the River St. Mary, and, with that river, gives communication on Canadian territory between Lakes Huron and Superior.

Construction commenced, 1888.
Opened for traffic, 1895.
Length of canal, 5967 feet.
Number of locks, 1.
Depth of water on sills (at lowest known water level), 20 feet 3 inches.
Total rise or lockage, 18 feet.
Breadth of canal at bottom, 141 feet 8 inches.
Breadth at surface, 150 feet.
In 1908, 5293 vessels passed thru the canal, with a freight tonnage of 12,759,216.

$100,000 FIRE AT BERLIN BUTTON FACTORY IN RUINS

Shantz & Co. Plant Destroyed—Building Doomed Before Firemen Had a Chance.

BERLIN, June 9.—(Special.)—There was a $100,000 fire this evening when J. Y. Shantz & Co.'s large button factory was totally destroyed. It is supposed the fire started in the drying-room, where a fanning machine is in operation all night. Night Watchman Ziehm sent in an alarm by sounding his whistle, while a passer-by ran several blocks to the nearest alarm box.

When the firemen arrived the fire had reached the third floor thru the elevator shaft. It was several minutes before direct pressure was available, and owing to the inflammable character of the contents, the fire had got beyond control.

Buildings in the neighborhood were in danger, but a volunteer brigade helped to prevent a spread of the fire until the walls of the factory, which was erected for the Crompton Corset Co. in 1890, fell to the ground.

The firm was exceedingly busy, having worked overtime until several weeks ago to turn out the season's orders, and over 150 hands are thrown out of employment. The factory was one of the best equipped button industries in the Dominion and some of the machinery will be difficult to replace. It is one of Berlin's oldest establishments, being founded over 60 years ago by Jacob Y. Shantz. Insurance will amount to about $90,000.

HALIFAX FIREMAN KILLED

Ten Others Badly Burned—Roof Collapsed Under Them.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 9.—(Special.)—James Tynan lost his life and ten other firemen were injured by the collapse of a roof while fighting flames which completely destroyed the upholstering and packing building of the Nova Scotia Furnishing Co. this afternoon.

Tynan, with twenty other firemen, was stationed in the building when the rof suddenly gave way. Suffering from terrible burns and other injuries they were all rescued with the exception of Tynan, who was pinned down by a 10-inch beam, which pressed across his chest. The fire loss was $10,000, insured.

MONTREAL ALDERMAN ACCUSED

Said to Have Used "Influence" to Sell Cigars.

MONTREAL, June 9.—(Special.)—Formal complaint was made to-day at the royal commission charging Ald. M. Martin, M.P., with using his position as alderman and member of the police committee to increase the sale of cigars, of which he is manufacturer, by promising saloonkeepers who purchased them he would use his influence to see the police were not too zealous in watching them. The charge will be investigated.

WHERE IS ED. CROWN

Left Oxford Hospital to Walk to Home in Toronto.

T. G. Crown, 26 Summerhill-avenue, seeks information as to his son Edward, who left the Oxford Hospital at Woodstock last Friday, and it is supposed that he started to walk home. Edward is 25 years of age, built slightly and is wearing a dark suit and peaked cap. He was last seen in the neighborhood of Princeton.

WILL ACT AS JUDGE

Daniel O'Connell, K.C., to Be Peterboro's Handy Man.

PETERBORO, June 9.—(Special.)—Daniel O'Connell, K.C., has been appointed to act as judge for Peterboro County until a judge is appointed to succeed the late Judge Weller. He will fill the position of master in chambers, county court judge and local judge of the high court.

Dr. Bingham has resigned the position of medical health officer and city physician. Dr. A. W. Macpherson has been appointed his successor.

PRIZE WINNERS AT UNIVERSITY

Those Who Get Medals and Scholarships — The M.A. and B. A. Degrees.

The list of prize-winners and scholarship holders has been passed by the university senate and is given below. The results in the faculty of education are also given, as are the lists of recipients of the M.A. and L.L.B. degrees, with some additional degrees in arts and medicine. The first and second year arts will probably be published Friday morning.

Medals and Scholarships.

Faculty of arts—Medals: Governor-general's gold medal (fourth year), no award; the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada's gold medal, R. Young; the Glashan gold medal for mathematics of the fourth year, A. J. Dempster; the P. W. Ellis gold medal in political science of the fourth year, G. M. Smith, G. A. Urquhart; the Mrs. Hart A. Massey gold medal in household science, Miss N. B. Hall; governor-general's silver medal (second year, general proficiency), G. W. Thompson; the P.W. Ellis silver medal in political science (all the year), no award; the Cawthorne medal, no award.

Scholarships.

The bankers' scholarship, G. B. Coyne; the Alexander T. Fulton scholarship in mathematics and physics, T. R. Pounder; the Alexander T. Fulton scholarships in science, R. H. Fraser, W. B. Wiegand, V. F. Stock; the board of trade of the City of Toronto scholarships in the first year of the commercial course, no award.

Second year—The John Macdonald scholarship in philosophy, E. J. Pratt; the William Mulock scholarship in mathematics and physics, C. A. Milburn; the Edward Blake scholarship in physics, no award; the Edward Blake scholarship in biological and physical science, A. W. Burt; the Edward Blake scholarship in biology and mineralogy and geology, T. L. Tanton; the Edward Blake scholarship in chemistry and mineralogy, W. L. Argo; the Alexander Mackenzie scholarship in political science, M. M. Hart, L. Macaulay.

Third year—The Kirschmann scholarship in philosophy (for optics), Miss E. C. Jamieson; the A.A.A.S. scholarship in mathematics and physics, W. R. Bocking; the A.A.A.S. scholarship in physics, no award; the Daniel Wilson scholarship in biological and physical sciences, C. P. Brown; the Daniel Wilson scholarship in biology, W. P. Thompson; the Daniel Wilson scholarship in geology and mineralogy, no award; the Dnaiel Wilson scholarship in chemistry and mineralogy, H. A. G. Willoughby; the Alexander Mackenzie scholarships in political sciences, J. L. Duncan, A. L. Fleming.

Post graduate—The Ramsay scholarship in political science, no award.

Prizes.

The gift of the minister of foreign affairs for the Kingdom of Italy—Italian prize of the first year, C. H. Carruthers; Italian prize of the second year, M. L. Waters; Italian prize of the third year, Miss M. J. Whyte; Italian prize of the fourth year, Miss E. Scott.

Awarded by the council of University College—Prizes: French prose prize, Miss M. M. Hurd; the Frederick Wyld prize for English essay,; the Toronto Alumnae prize in English composition of the second year, W. C. McNaught.

Medals—Governor-general's medal in modern languages (fourth year), Miss E. Scott; McCaul medal in classics, A. G. Hooper; the New York Alumnae medal, G. M. Colquhoun.

Scholarships—The first William Dale, for classics (junior matriculation), V. E. Way; the second William Dale, for classics (junior matriculation), Miss E. J. Affleck, C. G. Fletcher; the McCaul, for classics (junior matriculation), C. H. Carruthers; the Moss, for classics (first year), C. H. Carruthers; the Edward Blake, for moderns (first year), Miss M. E. McKay; the William Mulock, for classics (second year), C. N. Cochrane; the George Brown, for moderns (second year), M. L. Waters; the Knox College, for orientals (second year), no award; the John Macdonald, for philosophy (third year), Miss M. D. Peart; the Julius Rossin, for moderns (third year), Miss M. I. Whyte; the Moss, for classics (third year), W. N. Sage; the Knox College, for orientals (third year), E. L. Morrow; the Murison, for Biblical literature (third year), A. R. Barton.

Awarded by Victoria College—Prizes: The Prince of Wales gold medal (first in general proficiency), J. H. Arnup; the Prince of Wales silver medal (second in general proficiency), Miss C. E. German; the governor-general's silver medal (first in hon. English), Miss I. A. Clark; the J. J. Maclaren gold medal (moderns), Miss E. A. Clark; S. W. Janes silver medal (moderns), Miss C. M. Bisnir, Miss S. A. Smith; the E. J. Sanford gold medal (science), G. A. Gullen; the G. A. Cox gold medal (science), J. S. Laird; the W. J. Robertson prize (Can. Const. Hist.), J. N. Arnup.

Second year—Classical scholarship, T. E. Hetherington; the Fisher scholarship (moderns), Miss H. I. Dafoe; scholarship (Semitics), A. J. Wallace; class 1893 bursary (first in Greek and Hebrew), C. C. Washington; the Webster prize (first in pass English); the Robert Johnston prize (first in pass Hebrew), H. Williams; the Massey bursaries (English Bible), H. Williams, Miss Lawrence.

First and second year—Regents' prizes (first and second English essays) to be awarded; the Robertson scholarship (classics), H. E. Manning; the

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SUBWAYS TO BE STREET WIDTH

Railway Board Settle Details of Construction of the Toronto Viaduct.

OTTAWA, June 9.—(Special.)—Two hours sufficed to dispose of the Toronto viaduct case before the railway commission this evening, Chairman Mabee showing a determination to get thru with it "now and for ever," as he put it.

"We are snot going to hang this up any longer, for the Canadian Northern or anybody else," he said emphatically.

The board reviewed the items in the order for construction, and after listening to counsel, who delivered their remarks in the briefest fashion, the order was finally made that from Church-street east the C.P.R. would have the same privilege as the Grand Trunk, namely, three tracks on the level. With the exception of Front and Vine-streets, all the subways will be the full width of the streets. The subways on Front and Vine will be 30 feet wide.

In this connection Mr. Armour, counsel for the C. P. R., remarked that in Montreal the subways were not over 40 to 45 feet wide.

"Yes, but the people of Montreal are a long suffering lot of people," remarked Judge Mabee.

The question of the apportionment of the cost of the Esplanade from Berkeley to Church was left over.

CROWDS GREET ASSELIN HEAR BITTER HARANGUE

Journalist Just Out of Jail Says That Quebec Justice is Tampered With By Prominent People.

MONTREAL, June 9.—(Special.)—Some 2500 citizens, mostly young men from the east end divisions of the city, gave Oliver Asselin a splendid welcome when he arrived this evening at 10.30 from his 15 days' sojourn in jail at Quebec for assaulting Hon. Mr. Taschereau.

Asselin delivered a violent harangue. He said he knew what he was talking about, and took the full responsibility of his words in declaring that justice as administered at the present time by the attorney-general of the province was a farce and a sham.

Asselin then declared that a justification of the words he had just pronounced was found in the Atkinson trial. There were men on the jury who had openly declared that they would never consent to Atkinson's condemnation ,and it was an open claim by the man on the street and as it transpired to-day, that the jury would not agree. Why were such claims made openly? It was because people in the highest positions were implicated. Politicians, he declared, were mixed up in it, leading public men, and even judges on the bench.

Just before the Quebec train arrived, a band, headed many hundreds of young men from Laval University and elsewhere entered the station, and when Asselin appeared the band played "Vive le Canadienne," while a hearty cheer greeted him. Speeches were made by Joseph Rainville, a leading Nationalist; J. A. Renaud, ex-mayor of Joliette, a straight Conservative, and P. E. Lamarche, another Conservative.

ONTARIO BONDS POPULAR

One Individual Takes $100,000—Big Call For Stock.

Ontario's latest issue of bonds is proving popular among all classes of investors. "Not only are subscriptions for large amounts coming in," said Hon. Col. Matheson yesterday, "but we are receiving many applications from purchasers of smaller amounts all over the province. We have had a great call for $1000 of bonds or stock.

"I have, however," continued the provincial treasurer, "just received a subscription of $100,000 from one private individual. The fact that the issue is exempt from succession duty taxes is an added feature to the security."

Enquiries have been received from Boston and New York, and the entire issue is being taken up rapidly.

230 LIVES LOST

Earthquake and Tidal Wave Work Terrible Havoc.

PADANG, Sumatra, June 9.—The Town of Korinchi, 155 miles to the southeast of Padang, was devastated by an earthquake on the night of June 2-4. Two hundred and thirty people were killed and many others injured. The shock was accompanied by a tidal wave, which swept away the native huts like cockle shells.

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MISSIONERS WORK UNPAID

Scanty Doles to West From Mission Funds Discussed by the Assembly.

HAMILTON, June 9.—(Special.)—"I hear these things with shame and indignation beyond control. I have heard such things before and could not believe them to be true. If these things were known in Montreal you would very soon find the funds would suffer. We must set aside these things at once." Thus spoke Rev. F. M. Dewey, D.D., in the course of the discussion on the payment of home missionary salaries in the Northwest.

An overture from Alberta asking for the whole matter of guaranteeing salaries of home missionaries in full to be taken into consideration brought the matter up. Rev. J. S. Shortt moved the adoption

G. M. Macdonnell, K.C., moved that the assembly instruct the home mission committee to change the system of paying salaries, for one similar to that of Knox College Mission Society.

Rev. A. McLaren, Medicine Hat, made a strong appeal for a new method of collecting money in the Northwest for home missions. He had been found fault with for writing to the papers saying that the missionaries received just $250 less than the minimum salary. This was simply the downright, solid rockbottom fact. One of the cleverest men they had,who was debited with $550 for his district, received exactly $83 in the year, and was enabled to attend the synod by the generosity of a Baptist. Another man debited with $275 got $22 in ten months from his field.

Rev. Mr. Chisholm endorsed this and declared that young men were driven to taking up homesteads, canvassing for insurance and other expedients to eke out a living.

Dr. McQueen thought the difficulty was due to a lack of proper spirit in the missionaries. It was too bad, he said, that such extravagant and practically untrue statements should be made. It would injure the church and the funds. The fault lay with those who complained. They should go back to their congregation and collect funds to pay the missionaries.

Principal MacKay supported the cause of the missionary. The matter should not be allowed to pass from the assembly till a better system was adopted. He knew an excellent man in his own college who had to drive a stage to pay for his course. He did not get enough from the mission board to pay for the keep of his horse and himself. This view was supported by a number of speakers.

Rev. Dr. McTavish and Rev. E. D. McLaren demurred to the position taken. It was the duty of the presbyteries to look after such cases. Very often it depended on the man who was sent into a field.

The moderator stated that he could make similar statements about augmentation in the east, and he thought from his own experience the presbyteries in the west were very much to blame.

Rev. E. D. McLaren suggested that presbyteries be instructed to make more particular enquiries as to salaries paid within their bounds, and to report to the home mission committee. The amendments were withdrawn and the overture passed.

Rev. W. M. Rochester, on motion of Rev. Dr McQueen, was accepted as the choice of the synod of Alberta for the position of superintendent of home missions for that synod.

A New Presbytery.

It was decided at the evening sederunt of the Presbyterian General Assembly to divide the presbytery of North Bay into two, with Temagami forest reserve as the northern boundary of what will not be North Bay Presbytery, containing North Bay, Aspdin, Burk's Falls, Huntsville, Margretown, Sturgeon Falls, Parry Sound, etc. The Presbytery of Temagami will include the territory lying north of the reserve, embracing Cobalt, Cochrane, Abitibi, Elk City, Gowganda, Haileybury, New Liskeard, etc. The new presbytery will be organized on June 13 at New Liskeard. Rev. F. Lee itts, the first moderator, considers it the most important tract of country anywhere in the Dominion. Rev. D. J. Wright is stationed at Elk City and 13 student missionaries are in the territory.

Rev. George C. Pidgeon introduced the report on moral and social reform, which noted a "disheartening response to an appeal for funds to carry on the work. Of $6500 spent, the church only gave $4300,prohibiting a forward movement this year. A suplementary report was also submitted, dealing with prostitution in the Yukon, where the police are seriously handicapped by the fact that certain amendments asked by them have not been enacted.

Discussion of the recommendations was left over till to-morrow, when Dr. John Pringle will move "that the assembly deplores and condemns the evils in political life to-day, which are rapidly lowering the moral life of the people, and urges on the ministers and people the duty of combating these evils."

Dr. G. Pidgeon declared the church was only awakening to the magnitude and gravity of the social vice.

Rev. J. G. Shearer asserted that the attorney-general should enforce the moral law. An Ontario magistrate had found himself investigated for laxity and removed and his successor promptly sent 30 women to the Mercer.

Prof. Kilpatrick described his participation in the Kootenay campaign.

"It is good," he said, "to get with men who are heart and soul in causes that are beyond all our differences. I never felt better than when marching up the street in Nelson behind a blood and fire flag with a big drum behind me."

HON. A. J. BALFOUR
Who yesterday, in addressing the Press Conference, endorsed the recent serious utterances of Lord Rosebery.

MORE BIG REAL ESTATE DEALS IN NORTH END

Moore Park Property Sold to Local Syndicate—Office Building For Down Town

The John C. Moore property in Moore Park, some sixty acres, has been sold to a big local syndicate and will soon be offered to the public.

The Grand Trunk have paid $25,000 for a block of five acres, on which they will locate their new freight yard, on the Belt Line at Yonge-street. The property bought is part of the Lauder Estate.

A half a million dollar deal in city real estate is now going thru the lawyer's hands, but no details will be given out for a few days.

George Glendenning of Parkdale has purchased the southwest corner of Richmond and Sheppard-streets from the Toronto General Trusts Company for $110,000. The property is part of the old Brooke Estate and is covered with wood manufacturing companies. It has a frontage of 163 feet 6 inches on Richmond and 247 on Sheppard.

Rumor has it that Yonge-street will shortly be adorned with another 14-storey business block. The financial end of the project is said to have been provided by outside capitalists. An announcement is soon to be made. The name of George W. Gouinlock, architect, Temple Building, has been associated with the scheme. In answer to queries by The World Mr. Gouinlock said last night that such an undertaking was on foot, he believed, but that the plans were still immature. He admitted that the project had been discussed with him and stated that outside capital was behind it.

HAS PARLIAMENT CONTROL OVER THE YUKON RAILWAY?

Unusual Argument is Presented in Resisting Attempt to Enforce Reduced Rates

OTTAWA, June 9.—(Special.)—The question of jurisdiction of parliament over the White Pass and Yukon Railway and the right of the railway commission to deal with its tariff was questioned by F. H. Chrysler, K.C., this afternoon during argument of the complaint of the board of trade of Dawson that the rates of that railway are excessive.

He argued that the Canadian Parliament had jurisdiction only when the railway passed thru two or more provinces, or was for the general advantage of Canada, but if a Canadian company built a railway elsewhere, parliament had no authority. In the United States there was jurisdiction over commerce, but in Canada over works only. As there was doubt, he stated, whether the Yukon as a mining district would exist ten or fifteen years hence, he insisted that the railway would have been entitled at its commencement to draw from revenue one-twentieth of the cost of construction each year, in order that the railway might pay for itself during the period the district lives as a mining centre. The case is not concluded.

DEGREE FOR DAVID BOYLE

Doctor of Laws to Be Conferred on Curator of Museum.

David Boyle, curator of the provincial museum, will be honored by the university with the degree of LL.D. honoris causa. On account of his illness a special convocation will be held at his residence, 78 Walker-avenue, on Saturday afternoon.

C. P. R. CROP REPORT.

WINNIPEG, June 9.—Wheat up 12 inches, oats six inches and barley five inches are the outstanding features of the Canadian Pacific Railway's crop report issued to-day.

The increase in all cereals over last year will be about one million acres.

UNFAIR TO FORCE SOLDIERING UPON US

Rev. J. A. Macdonald Obtains Withdrawal of Compulsory Training Resolution at the I. P. C.

LONDON, June 9.—(C.A.P. Cable).—The imperial press congress resumed its discussion on imperial defence this morning. Hon. A. J. Balfour presided, and Lord Roberts and Hon. R. Haldane were present.

A grave note was again emphasized in the speeches of the home statesmen. Mr. Balfour declared all local defence, tho it was necessary, was subordinate to imperial defence and subordinate from the viewpoint of the particular localities themselves, not from the viewpoint of the empire only.

Dealing first with the military aspect of the question he laid down two propositions; first, all forces of the oversea states should be under the control of those states; second, they should be organized on a common basis. Respecting the navy he would not regard as useless any local attempt at naval defence, but anything in the nature of coastal protection should be rigidly subordinate to fleet action. The fate of the empire would be dependent upon fleet superiority, and that superiority must be shown in home waters.

If there were to be an Armageddon, it would take place in the German Ocean, the English Channel, or perhaps the Mediterranean. Mr. Balfour continued:

"Anybody who reads the signs of the times will, I think, agree with the weighty words of Lord Rosebery and Sir Edward Grey, and will recognize that no man can now speak of imperial defence without some note of anxiety—not panic; there is no question of panic, but we have to look round at the gathering forces and armaments of possible foes and the strategic import of possible combinations, and everyone will recognize that the language of the foreign secretary is language unusual in the months of foreign secretaries, and does not go beyond the necessity of the situation."

All Share Responsibility.

Mr. Balfour next humorously remarked that the British nation was fond of saying about itself that it was not the nation it used to be. In this regard, however, he looked forward, not perhaps without anxiety, but with high, cheerful courage towards the dangers which might menace the empire, but he urged that responsibility lay upon all.

J. S. Brierly of Montreal assured the conference that Canada was willing to take her share in imperial defence consistent with the maintenance of her autonomy. These two elements were not inconsistent. He expressed pleasure at the full recognition of the home statesmen that the overseas states must be allowed full control of their own affairs. Brierly combated the idea that Canada had been lacking on the matter of imperial defence.

Mr. Haldane addressed himself particularly to the necessity for homogeneity in the military forces of the empire with due regard to local needs and local control, and said the next twenty years would be critical years in the history of the empire.

Roberts is Pessimistic.

Lord Roberts thought the next 20 months, not years, would be an important time for the empire, and the situation demanded the closest attention of all patriotic men. The question is whether we had the spirit and foresight to maintain our empire. The growth of the oversea states in wealth made them objects of the envy of other nations. We must be prepared for a common effort and common sacrifice.

He desired to correct one idea prevalent overseas, namely, that preparation for defence meant the inculcation of the spirit of militarism. His long soldier's life had made him a man of peace, but the discipline which made a man a competent defender of his country equipped him best for rival duties.

Delegate Fink moved and Mark Cohen seconded a resolution, considering it essential that in each self-governing dominion a systematic universal training of the male population should be strenuously advocated. J. St. Loe Strachey and Leopold Amery

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U. S. CROP REPORT.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The general average condition of crop growth in the United States on June 1, based on all the crops reported to the department of agriculture, was to-day announced as approximately four per cent. below the conditions on June 1 of last year, but about 8 per cent. better than two years ago.

A SIGHT TO SEE.

A Visitor's Impression of Toronto.

Nature has been decidedly busy for the past week or so putting the maple leaves on the trees, with glorious results. It is, indeed, a grand picture that is to be witnessed now in Rosedale and the other park sections of the city. Take a walk that way any day. You will observe the number of well-dressed men that are wearing straw and Panama hats this season. The very smart, snappy styles that you see are from Dineen's, at Yonge and Temperance-streets, and they don't cost any more than the other kind.

THIS IS THE LAST DAY TO SECURE THE LARGE SPECIAL BALLOTS OF THE FIRST VOTING PERIOD