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JAPAN AND CHINA TRYING TO AGREE.

Jap Press and Public Quieting Down Again.

Britain Working for an Amicable Settlement.

Sir Claude MacDonald Confers With Hayashi

Tokio, March 12 .- The demand of the press and the public of Japan for aggressive action against China in contion with the Tatsu affair is subsiding. The Asin, one of the most influential newspapers, urges the government to seriously the moral side of the case and not to press China to extremes It thinks that Japan should devote greater vigilance concerning the export of arms destined for the use of ins ents against a friendly government. This view is gaining ground, and it is under stood that the Minister of War, General Tearach, and Vice Admiral Saito, Minister of Marine, are opposed to aggressive tactics. The British Minister, Sir Claude MacDonald, held a lengthy conference with Foreign Minister Hayashi yesterday.

The sentiment gathered from the Foreign Office supports the suggestion that Great Britain is urging an amicable settlement, and dwelling upin the moral ob-ligation of Japan toward China.

In well-informed circles it is asserted that China will eventually agree to the demands of Japan in consideration of a piedge upon the part of Japan that a closer watch will be kept upon exporta-

SPAT IN NUN'S FACE.

Man Who Did It Remanded to See If He Is Crazy.

Toronto, March 12.—Charged with the unusual offence of spitting in a nun's face, Henry Conovan appeared in the Police Court his morning, and was remanded pending the enquiry as to his sanity. Yesterday afternoon while Sissanity. Yesterday afternoon while Sister Mary Presentation, of the Convent of the Good Shepherd, West Lodge avenue, accompanied by another nun, who had been making some purchases in a King street store, was about to enter the carriage in which the Sisters of the institution are driven about, Donovan, it is alleged, stepped up to her and deliberately spat in her face. When arrested Donovan had \$260 in his possession, including £10 in English money.

RENEWED BAIL.

London Election Conspirators Before Judge This Morning.

Toronto, March 17 .- John O'Gormon W. J. Milloy, Daniel Wilry and G. M. Reid, the four men convicted last Noven ber of conspiracy in connection with the London elections, appeared before Judge Winchester this morning, and renewed their bail till the September Sessions. It was explained by his Honor that the case has not been printed as yet for the Court of Appeal, which meets in April.

A Smoker's Necessity.

Tricked the Count.

known here to-day that Mme Anna Gould, who sailed yesterday for New York on the steamer Adriatic, booked her passage on this vessel under the Miller. She had originally taken passage for herself and children on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm, but changed her plans at the last moment. Although she had the consent of her former husband, Count Boni de Castellane, to take the children out of France, she adopted the ruse of changing steamers and using an assume name in case the count should attempt at the last moment to prevent the children's departure Count Boni had been under the impression that Mme. Gould and the children were on board the Kron Prinz Wilhelm, and had telegraphed his greetings to his children in care of the steamer.

THAT SUBWAY

Will Come Before Railway Board Troops Made Sudden Attack and Next Week.

Warden Emery announced this morn ng that the Waterdown subway matter would come before the Dominion Railway Commission on March 18 in Toronto. The Warden, Mr. R. R. Bruce, county solicitor; Mr. J. L. Taylor, the road superintendent, and C. E. Armour, county enineer, together with a number of wit-ess will attend and testify as to the dangerous condition of the present road during the winter. The Warden is of the opinion that the county will be able to secure something from the commis-

DEAD, NOT DRUNK.

Sad End of a Farmer Who Went to Kingston Market,

Kingston, Ont., March 12 .- (Special) -Michael Ryan, of Wolfe Island, 46 years of age, was found dead in the hayrack on the ice in the Kingston Harbor last evening. The horses were attached and were wandering around. The deceased had a slight bruise on his left temple and in his pockets were found 30 cents. and in his pockets were found 30 cents. He came to the city yesterday with a load of hay, sold it for \$17 and collected a similar amount for a load previously sold. When found he was brought to the yard of the American Hotel and left in the sleigh as he was, supposing him to be drunk. At about 9.30 the yard man attempted to wake him up and send him home, but discovered he was dead. A coroner's inquest has been decided on.

TIN-PLATE.

Hamilton Deputation Objects to the Dumping Clause.

Ottawa, Ont., March 12.-Mr. Zimmer man, M. P., bas a delegation here to-day from Hamilton, asking that thedumping clause do not apply to tin plate. Your tobacco will always be handy and in good condition if you carry it in a rubber pouch. The finest quality of tobacco pouches are sold at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

PRESIDENT MITCHELL FEARS A SHUT-DOWN OF MINES.

Operators and Miners Fail to Agree on a Joint Wage Conference.

Indianapolis, March 12. The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America met to-day in Tomlinson Hall to agree upon a course of action because of the failure of the operators and miners of the central competitive field to agree upon a joint wage conference to fix a scale in place of the present one, which expires April 1. The wage scales for the various bituminous fields of the United States and Canada are based upon the scale fixed in the central competitive field, consisting of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Penn.

Failure to agree upon a joint meeting John Mitchell to call a national meeting of the miners. Indications are that four

The second will be to adopt a scale and issue a call for joint wage conferences by districts.

A third will be to refuse to make any scale except by competitive districts, which would mean that Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois operators and miners would be held to be one unit, as would those of Missouri, Kanasas, Oklahoma and Arkansas be in the competitive field of the southwest.

The fourth proposition will be an extreme peace measure, a provision that the present contract be continued in effect a month longer and the mines be kept in operation during that period.

It is thought that President Mitchell will advocate the adoption of one of the first two policies, expecting by pursuing that course to induce some of the operators to sign a scale and put their mines in operation, which the miners believed would force the others to do likewise.

of the miners. Indications are that four propositions will be considered by the convention.

The first will be to adopt wage demands and then issue a call for a joint wage conference opening the door to all operators who may wish to come in, sign a scale and keep their mines in operation.

"There is a disposition on the part of some of the coal operators to stimulate coal market prices in this manner, or by the threat of bringing on such a strike," said Mr. Mitchell, "and it looks now as though there would be a full suspension of mining in all these great bituminous fields on April 1."

commendation, and no choice was made, or even thought of.

The same alleged report is incorrect as to the men recommended for appointment as letter carriers. Those recommended were Richard Blamey, Lafayette Barlow and A. A. Adams.

NIAGARA FRUIT MEN LOOK FOR GOLDEN YEAR.

Grimsby, March 12.—(Special.)—The Niagara Peninsula is warming itself back to life and activity, after a more than usual severe winter. The fruit men, like hibernating bears, are already in the vine-yards and orchards, putting the finishing touches on the final pruning up, preparatory to_getting in the plowshare at the very first opportunity. The snow this year has been a wonderful blessing in the way of a cover crop, and the trees and bushes are in the fittest possible condition for a bountiful bearing. The buds seem full of good producing matter and too much sun and warm winds are liable to bring them along just a little too fast for the comfort of the growers.

The Times has found the fruit men in a very optimistic mood during the past couple of weeks. In fact, they seem to see ahead of them the golden age, and are anticipating for the coming season, something of unusual prosperity for the fruit industry in every part of the Peninsula. Alternate freezing and thawing for the next month is almost a hideous nightmare. Should March prove just a little bit decent, the grandest crop of fruit ever produced in this garden of Canada will be the result

Tomato growers seem well satisfied at the increased prices they are to get for their juicy products, and the acreage will be much larger than before. There is a chance, too, of many more vegetables being planted, such as beans, beets and asparagus. The canneries want these, and last year could not get nearly enough to fill all demands. So, not only in one direction, but in several, is the outlook rosy for a great era of prosperity. Even in the southern district, where money at this season is never too plentiful, the Times has found merchants and banking men close up in their accounts, and big amounts outstanding are

Stock men in the country back on the Mountain have done wonders in bringing their animals out on perhaps just half the fodder they had at their disposal last year. There is no talk of hard times, of tightness of money at the present stage, but the wonderful game with old nature is still to be played. The first robins were whistling in the vicinity of Grimsby this morning.

Cheer up. We'll soon all be sitting ut on the door step again.

The Saltfleet local option dispute is making things comfortable for some of the lawyers.

We don't want any fake alarms he condition of the school bui

Is my old friend and well-wisher Gor

take that round-the-world trip, if he car

Miss Jeannette Lewis might make a

trip through the City Hall. Those bright young men behind the counters would be only too pleased to exchange some of their wealth for a few tickets.

I must look around myself and pick out a few good Grit candidates. There is not much time to be lost.

Since the Presbytery got after the Executive Committee it doesn't seem to have so much to say. Perhaps Mr. Milne didn't think the clergy were

Don't confound the Hamilton Times ith the London Times. This is not a

Cheer up. Work will soon be plenti-

One swallow does not make a summer, but when butterflies are hunting for food in the Gore Park you may look for fine weather. One alighted on a dog's back in the park this forenoon and caused not a little curiosity among the

Fallieres' Visit.

London, March 12 .- The visit of

President Fallieres, of France, will

be a notable demonstration of the

new Franco-British exhibition in

that occasion, which thus will be-

come a significant state ceremony,

most of the members of the Gov-ernment, the prominent peers and

many notable French visitors at-

London, and had invited the French

has promised to open the

Anglo-French entente. King Ed-

get a controllership.

yellow journal.

TROOPS SHOOT DOWN STRIKERS

2,500 Men Laid Low In Fight at Chile Nitrate Beds.

Strikers and Soldiers Had Many Fights In Streets of Iquique.

Butchery Followed.

San Francisco, March 12.-Machine guns operated by the Government forces of Chile in a great conflict with strikers at the nitrate beds and in the city of Iquique laid 2,500 men low, most of whom were killed, according to advices received yesterday by the Norwegian steamer Christian Bors, which arrived to-day direct from Chile.

Business at Iquique, which had never efore been seriously disturbed by anything but earthquakes, was paralyzed when the great army of workers went on a strike. One fracas after another occurred until soldiers and strikers met in the streets of Iquique and on the out-

Being ordered to disperse the army of men, the soldiers opened fire. They had little opportunity to fight back, even though they had been armed, the asthough they had been armed, the assault was so sudden. This took place on January 1, and a week later, as though by common agreement, the strikers went back to work without the expected advance in wages. It was reported that the mine owners will voluntarily increase the pay of many of their employees.

A despatch received from Valparaiso, dated Dec. 28, said that according to an official statement, the recent encounter at Iquikue, between Nitrate strikers and n and the wounding of 50.

C. N. SMITH COMING.

Will Address Public Meeting In Liberal Club.

Liberal Club.

Arrangements have been made by the Liberal Club for a public meeting the Liberal Club for a public meeting der if the Grits in Beverly are dying the Liberal Club for a public meeting the evening of Thursday next, fast enough this winter to suit Dan. March 19. It will be held in the large hall of the club, Arcade building, and will give Hamilton people the first opportunity to hear Mr. C. N. Smith, M.P.P., of Sault Ste. Marie, one of the most prominent and able members of the Ontario Legislature. The club considers itself very fortunate, indeed, in securing Mr. Smith, who is a splendid speaker, with a large grasp of public affairs of the Province and a Lreadth of views which puts him in a foremost place.

A short but high class musical programme will be contributed by Mr. W. O. Pettie, Mr. A. L. Garthwaite, Mr. W. H. Holland and others. opportunity to hear Mr. C. N. Smith,

A FALSE REPORT.

A faked-up report in the Herald last night of a meeting of the executive of the Liberal association is causing some amusement and some annoyance. That paper announces that Mr. W. H. Wardrope, K. C., was the choice of the meetng as a member of the Dominion Railway Board. The announcement is very unfair. One of the members of the com mittee simply expressed the opinion that railway centre to have a member on the Crerar, K. C., James Chisholm, A. M. Lewis, W. T. Evans, M. J. O'Reilly, K. C., Geo. S. Kerr, K. C., W. H. Wardrope. K. C., and others were mentioned in the course of an informal conversation as men who would do credit to the ofuce, ceded, however, that it was not an ap should take it upon itself to make a re

ZIMMERMAN'S THE MAN AMENDMENTS. IN OVERALLS

Consent of Municipalities For Railways On or Along Streets.

Frequenters of the cosey corner in the Public Library complain of a shortage Municipality Should Not be Allowed to Hold Up Railway.

> Amendments For Toronto's Benefit Were Voted Down.

As long as I think of it, are we going to make a move this summer for a horse show or annual exhibition or anything like that? Ottawa, Ont., March 12 .- (Special.) -This was the third day for the Niagara, St. Catharines & Toronto Railway being before the Railway Committee of the From the excitement caused in Eng-and over the Kaiser's letter you would House of Commons. The discussion started on the amendment of Mr. Zim think it was some Black Hand epistle instead of the mailed fist. merman, Hamilton, compelling the railway company to get the consent of the If they do nothing else the spring openings at least brighten up the some-what sombre Lenten time. municipalities before entering upon or going along a highway or street.

Mr. Pringle (Cornwall) said that the Railway Commission was appointed for this very purpose. If a railway, part If all the Times penders would put in a good word for their favorite paper it would help it along wonderfully. A good word won't hurt you. of which was built, was to be tied down get the consent of all the municipal ties then it would never be finished.

Mr. Henderson (Halton) was willing o leave it to the Railway Commsision the cities of Toronto and Hamilton ere willing to do so.

It may yet be necessary to open a cemetery for workingmen. Certainly few poor people can afford to be buried in such costly soil. Mr. Lancaster (Lincoln) said that it Mr. Lancaster (Lincoln) said that it ought not to be in the power of any municipality to hold up a railway. The amendment would do that.

Mr. Macdonall (Toronto) was not willing to leave it to the Railway Commission. Toronto might or might not get what it wanted.

Mr. Wright (Renfrew)—That is very unfair, and casting an aspersion on the

Should it be decided to take up a public subscription in behalf of the Con. Club, I wouldn't mind sticking in a quarter myself. The club trouble is get-

unfair, and casting an aspersion on the

Commission.
Mr. Macdonald (Toronto) moved an don C. Wilson may be again trotted out as a legislative candidate. What will the Star man say about it? Something foolish, no doubt. other amendment to prevent the pany stopping to take up or lay pany stopping to take up or lay down passengers at more than two points in the city. This was to prevent the com-pany doing a street car business in To-

I hear that Mr. Sothman has inter-preted Mr. Hawkins' offer. But who will be got to interpret Mr. Sothman's in-terpretation? This is an endless chain sort of a thing. ronto.

Mr. Pringle said that under the Act the Commission fixed the stations, and the amendment was useless.

Mr. Henderson (Halton) objected to Toronto keeping railways out so that the city should make a little more out of its own street railway.

Mr. Macdonell's amendment was voted down. Another amendment from Mr. Macdonell preventing the company from doing a street railway business in

om doing a street railway busin I am now told that the Mayor won't was then carried without amendment

DOCTORS ARRESTED

On Serious Charge--One on Bail the Other Kept.

Toronto, Ont., March 12.—(Special) Dr. Edgar M. Cook, a prominent College street physician, was arrested early this morning on a charge of being concerned with Dr. D. Webster Shier, in the com mitting of an operation on a girl whose identity is being kept secret. The wo man in whose house the operation is al lgeed to have been performed is beld as

The preliminary hearing was begun this morning. Dr. Sbier was allowed out on \$2,000 bail, but Dr. Cook was refused bail.

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TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

LIGHTING AWARD HANDED IN TO-DAY.

Janitor Exonerated.

Cleveland, O., March 12.-Coroner Burke rendered his decision in the Collinwood school fire yesterday. Conditions existing are blamed, but no fault is charged to

anyone. The coroner says the fire was caused by overheated pipes and the death of the children was due to faulty construction whereby a partition projected in front of the stairway.

that the State Legislature pass a law to make all schol buildings fire proof and that automatic devices be put in the buildings to further safeguard the lives of the

The fire resulting from the ignition of the front stairway from the overheated pipes, started in a closet under the stairway, and the partition projection at the bottom of the stairway made the children turn out of their way in their rush for the door.

The coroner holds that the children became panic stricken and were jammed in the doorway, because of the turn in the hall to

Janitor Hirtner is exonerated. The coroner says the janitor was at his post when the fire broke out and that he duly gave the alarm upon discovering the fire, and that he opened the front and rear doors of the building. ********

LATE MR. KILLAM.

Feeling Reference to His Death at Railway Commission.

Ottawa, March 12 .- (Special) -The Railway Commission met this morning. presided. Before the proceedings opened Mr. Bernier referred to the death Chairman Killam. "His loss," said Mr. Bernier. "at this junction of the work Bernier, "at this junction of the work of the commission, will be deeply felt, and, speaking for myself, will, I believe, require those who will have to take up the duties he had to perform arduous work. His great talents and many amiable qualities will live long in the memory of those who were associated and acquainted with him."

Mr. Charles Drinkwater, for the C. P. R., and Mr. Cowan, for the G. T. R., paid

R., and Mr. Cowan, for the G. T. R., paid tributes to the memory of deceased.

Mayor Away---Clerk Would Not Open It.

No Quarry On the Flatt Park Property.

Victoria Avenue School Defended by Trustees

Judge Snider's award in the celebrated street lighting arbitration by which the city is endeavoring to compel the Cataract Power Company to reduce the price of are lights has been made. A copy of the award was handed to City Clerk Kent this morning, but he refused to make public its contents, claiming that he was acting on instructions from The Mayor must see the award, according to Mr. Kent, before the public's curiosity can be satisfied. Mr. Kent said he did not know the contents of the document himself, and that the seal of the envelope in which it was delivered had not been broken. Chairman Sweeney, of the Board of Works, who was acting Mayor to-day, and who is very much interested in the outcome of the arbitration, was also denied a peep at the docu-Judge Snider's charge for the award was \$162, and this was paid by the city, although half of it will be collected from the company, as provided for in the city's agreement. In addition there will be the stenographer's fees.

The Board of Education officials say The Board of Education officials say that a great many complaints are received about people cutting across the lawns at the Collegiate Institute and some of the schools. Some of the offenders are well-known citizens, and, although the board does not wish to prosecute anyone, that may be necessary if further complaints are received.

Officials of the Board of Education said this morning that there was no justification for anyone saying that the Victoria Avenue School was a fire trap. It is true that fire escapes are required there, and have been recommended by the Chief. As to the furnaces scorching the timbers, it is said that the wood does not show the effect of the heat any more than the timber in any house where Officials of the Board of Education than the timber in any house there has been a furnace for tyears. Some improvements can be around the furnaces, and these ably be authorized by the board.

The Board of Works officials say they never had any intention of making a stone quarry out of the property donated by W. D. Flatt for park purposes in the west end. Some of the stone out of stone quarry out of the pro-ed by W. D. Flatt for parl

A VICTORY FOR THE CITY: **GETS \$15 OFF EACH LAMP.**

Judge Snider's Award Means a Reduction of Over \$16,000 Since 1905.

His Honor Judge Snider handed in his award in the street light ing arbitration this morning. It is a victory for the city. His Honor, as sole arbitrator, grants the city a reduction of \$15 a lamp from the 21st October, 1905, until the 31st October, 1907, amounting to over \$16,000 for that time, and a continuation of the reduced rate during the remainder of the term of the contract, which runs until

His Honor goes fully into the reasons for so deciding.

FIRST STRIKE OF THE YEAR IN THE BUILDING TRADES.

Plasterers Are Out For Weekly Pay---Building Costs 20 Per Cent. Less This Year.

strike of the season. They went out on Tuesday, and have been on strike since. The men want to be paid once a week, while the bosses are willing to settle only once in two weeks. The contractors claim that in the building trade the custom is to pay fortnightly, but last year in the busy season the union demanded, among many other things, a weekly settlement, and the bosses conceded the request. When the building season opened recently the union asked that this rule be continued. On Monday the plastering contractors notified their employees that the old custom of paying fortnightly would be adopted this season, and the men did not show up the next day, but declared a strike. There have been no negotiations for a settlement so far. One of the bosses said this morning that last year the union made unreasonable demands, but this season the contractors will run their own business, as they don't expect to be pressed very hard with contracts.

The plasterers have the distinction of figuring in the first building trades strike of the season. They went out on They went out on They and have been on strike since will likely be settled shortly.