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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

Tokyo, March 12.—The demand of the press and the public of Japan for aggressive action against China in connection with the Tatsu affair is subsiding. The Asin, one of the most influential newspapers, urges the government to consider 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 insurgents against a friendly government. This view is gaining ground, and it is understood that the Minister of War, General Terauchi, 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 upon the moral obligation 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 pledge upon the part of Japan that a closer watch will be kept upon exportation of arms.

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 Donovan appeared in the Police Court this morning, and was remanded pending the enquiry as to his sanity. Yesterday afternoon while Sister Mary Presentation, of the Convent of the Good Shepherd, West Lodge avenue, accompanied in consideration of a King 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 \$250 in his possession, including £10 in English money.

RENEWED BAIL.

London Election Conspirators Before  
Judge This Morning.

Toronto, March 12.—John O'Gorman, W. J. Milloy, Daniel Wilby and G. M. Reid, the four men convicted last November 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.

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 Pennsylvania.

Tricked the Count.

Paris, March 12.—It became 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 name of 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 written 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 assumed 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  
Next Week.

Warden Emery announced this morning 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 engineer, together with a number of witnesses 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 commission.

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. 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. Zimmerman, M. P., has a delegation here to-day from Hamilton, asking that the dumping clause do not apply to tin plate. The delegation comprises R. C. Breckenridge and Mr. Campbell, of Hamilton, and Mr. Fisher, of Burlington. They had an interview with the Minister of Finance and Minister of Customs.

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 vineyards 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.

TROOPS SHOOT  
DOWN STRIKERS

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

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.

THE MAN  
IN OVERALLS

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

Frequenter of the cosy corner in the Public Library complain of a shortage of cushions.

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?

From the excitement caused in England over the Kaiser's letter you would think it was some Black Hand epistle instead of the mailed fist.

If they do nothing else the spring openings at least brighten up the somewhat sombre Lenten time.

If all the Times readers would put in a good word for their favorite paper it would help it along wonderfully. A good word won't hurt you.

We don't want any fake alarms about the condition of the school buildings. If we want to see them made as safe as they can be for the sake of the children.

It may yet be necessary to open a cemetery for workmen. Certainly few poor people can afford to be buried in such costly soil.

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 getting on my nerves.

Is my old friend and well-wisher Gordon C. Wilson any longer trotted out as a legislative candidate. What will the Star man say about it? Something foolish, no doubt.

I hear that Mr. Sotlman has interpreted Mr. Hawkins' offer. But who will get to interpret Mr. Sotlman's interpretation? This is an endless chain sort of a thing.

Then again R. T. McNicol may get a Westworth Tory nomination. Well, Bob is not a bad sort. But I thought Dan Wray might have a look in. Wonder if the Grits in Beverly are dying fast enough this winter to suit Dan.

I am now told that the Mayor won't take that round-the-world trip, if he can get a controllership.

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 watching him.

Don't confound the Hamilton Times with the London Times. This is not a yellow journal.

Cheer up. Work will soon be plentiful.

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 crowd.

LIGHTING AWARD  
HANDLED 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.

Mayor Away---Clerk  
Would Not Open It.

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 arc 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 Mayor Stewart, who is in Toronto to-day. 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 document. 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.

LATE MR. KILLAM.

Feeling Reference to His Death at  
Railway Commission.

Ottawa, March 12.—(Special)—The Railway Commission met this morning. Mr. Bernier, the Deputy Commissioner, presided. Before the proceedings opened Mr. Bernier referred to the death of Chairman Killam. "His loss," said Mr. Bernier, "at this juncture 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."

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 lighting 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 July, 1909.

FIRST STRIKE OF THE YEAR  
IN THE BUILDING TRADES.

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

The plasterers have the distinction of striking in the first building trades strike of the season. They went out on Tuesday, and have been on strike since. The men want to be paid one 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.

Mayor Away---Clerk  
Would Not Open It.

No Quarry On the Flatt  
Park Property.

Victoria Avenue School  
Defended by Trustees

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 there has been a furnace for twenty years. Some improvements can be made around the furnaces, and these will probably be authorized by the board.

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 committing of an operation on a girl whose identity is being kept secret. The woman in whose house the operation is alleged to have been performed is held as a witness.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES.

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for  
the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills,  
silver and other valuables.

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