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TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR

PRINCIPAL OWNERS OF LA PRESSE

Hon. Mr. Tarte's Declaration in La Patrie Settles That Point, and The Star Man Has Not

Montreal, Que., Dec. 18.—(Special.)— The facts of the Russell-Blair conspiracy continue to come out despite the esperate efforts that are being made suppress them. It has been stated several times on good authority that then the whole truth regarding La Presse deal is revealed the full history the other details of the plot will ollow. If this be true the public will not long be denied an answer to the numerous queries that suggest themselves from those parts of the conspiracy that are already known-

It is now known that Hugh Graham of The Montreal Star is the principal owner and actual director of La Presse It is known also that Messrs. Russell and Graham paid over a million dollars for the property, part of the money being raised in a Toronto bank on joint notes. They are doing their best to conceal the fact of ownership, but the lear-cut declaration of Hon. J. Israel Tarte in La Patrie of Thursday last that Hugh Graham is the new owner settles that point. Mr. Graham has not denied the impeachment, much as he is trying to induce the public to think

Among the articles in the agreement of sale was one stipulating that Mr. Berthiaume, the late owner, has to deny the sale. This was in addition to the other stipulations as to policy as set out in the letter to Mr. Dansereau, which has been already published. Mr. Dansereau is expected in Montreal Dansereau's hands. They are ready to supply him with documents engaging the new owners to run La Presse as a Liberal newspaper and to oppose im perialism as Mr. Berthiaume opposed i when he controlled La Presse. This will put'Mr. Graham in the rather difficult position of riding The Star horses as Conservative and pro-Chamberlain

the Russell-Blair plot can now be told in its rough outlines. The plotters relied on getting documents which would prove dishonesty on the part of two or three ministers of the crown in the administers of the crown in the

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No one but a promoter would thus build up at the expense of hundreds of thousands of dollars a scheme which largely depended on the subsequent execution of its essential feature. But promoters are sanguine, and Mr. Russell was sanguine. He built cunningly and daringly, but he did not build on and daringly, but he did not build on a solid foundation. Mr. Greenshields of the incriminating document at the proper time. Acting on this belief he went ahead with the execution of minor parts in the plot. As Chas. A. Fitzpatrick said shortly after the failure of the scheme. "Greenshields always so serious that they are being used as a set off or to compel a saw off and head off a parliamentary enquiry.

the Ottawa paper, has suddenly switch- paralysis. ed in this direction, and last night Mr. might not be an investigation. But

Wednesday. The details of the plot, together with many documents, will be submitted to him. Sir Wilfrid will, therefore, have a lively time before he eats his Xmas dinner at Ottawa, which has been given out as the chief reason.

"Work as hard as you like at intervals, but between spells of work there was, but between spells of work there is the roof of the house that shelling is the roof of the house that



Some of his friends think that he has the virtue of resignation a times. Chaos reigns in Essex, as well t ifle too much developed-The Argus.

sell, it is known, are anxious to put the management of La Presse in Mr. 300 STUDENTS ARRESTED FOR RIOTING IN MOSCOW

Russian Police and Cossacks Disperse a Demenstration of 5000 r People-Sixty Injured and One Officer Reported Killed.

and La Presse Liberal and anti-Chamberlain. But he is having worse things than that to do these days.

Cause of Failure of Plot.

The primary cause of the failure of the Russell-Blair plot can now be told

Moscow, Dec. 18.—The pointe and the streets. Here the police were again severely pressed as the detachments stationed at the openings of these streets to keep people out of Tverskalastreets were caught between the retreating mob on one side and throngs of the students were arrested and sixty of the Russell-Blair plot can now be told

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is said to have counted on the delivery PARALYSIS HITS CHAMBERLAIN

London, Dec. 18.-Joseph Chamberlain has resumed his campaign against Eng- (Canadian Associated Press Cable.) has resumed his campaign against the lish free trade, and the fact was re-lish free trade, and the fact was re-Limited, Newcastle attributes his bank-The air is now full of rumors that there will be no investigation. Events, there will be no investigation. Events, the has recently suffered a stroke of steamship service between Canada and continental ports, for which the Cana-

Tarte's paper, La Patrie, said there kept, yet it is a fact that when Mr. knife between The Star, The Herald, of one of England's foremost physi-

being more than friendly advocates of local corporation interests, notably the biggest one of all, the Heat, Light and Power Company.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to be here on Wednesday. The details of the plot wals, but between spells of work there was close at hand.

has been given out as the chief reason for his return.

It is remarkable to what small extent the general public is aware of what an important factor Mr. Chamberlain's wife is in his life, not only domestic but political. She knows benefit to the general public of the solution of the company of the compan THE SOVEREIGN BANK OF CANADA but political. She knows her husband's arguments and views in the completest

The Canadian Club.

There will be no luncheon of the Canadian Club to-day. A special notice of the date of first meeting in January will be mailed to members of the club.

Use "Maple Leaf" Canned Salmon The best packed.

If Not, Why Not?

Fave you accident and sickness not leave them at her command as readily as the statesman himself.

Accompanying him to all of his great meetings, she sits close by and watches the bill, at A. Clubb & Sons', 49 King street west, "just east of Baysireptroo. Metal Windows, Skylights for a word his wife invariably supplies it with a quickness which enables the speaker to continue without the audience noticing the little hyplay.

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Cigars in box. 198 and 25s, prices 50c. Thrice on last Thursday night Mr. 65c, \$1. Pipes, brier and meerschaum, in cases, large assortment, low prices. Cigar cases, tobacco jars, tobacco Pig Lead, we sail Canada Metal Co act requisite, and the speaker with a 199 Yonge street. ches Alive Bollard, stores 128 and

LADY WARWICK A SOCIALIST

Declares for a Go-Operative Commonwealth in England Before Democratic Federation.

London, Dec. 18 .- The beautiful Couness of Warwick has become an avowember of the Social Democratic Fedration, and last night the Countess adressed a meeting of the unemployed at Stratford, where she was introduced as "our comrade." The crowd cheered the countess when she said she appeared at the request of her Socialis friends and added:

"The country is pa



as in the remainder of England. It is terrible to think that large numbers

the Imperial Bank, as manager.

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ACCIDENT WAS FATAL

Rev. G. Osborne Troop, M. A., at Bible Training School, 8. Gooderham mayoralty meeting, Thompson's Hall, 8. Toronto Grammar School Old Boys' annual meeting, Jarvis C. L. 8. Mulock Club, O'Nell's Hall, 8. Voters' League, Cumberland Hall, 8. Theatres—See Public Amusements.

LITTLE GEORGIE AND THE "WATER WAGON."

Or an Awful Surprise.

Claims That the Japanese Lost teeseeseeseeseeseeseese 20,000 Men in the Bitter 12

Their reserves were scattered by shrap-

"At 5.30 o'clock in the evening of No

23, after heavy firing the Japanese sudworks on this front and seized a por tion of the trenches, but they were

Naoumenko, (a dozen other officers in lower grades are mentioned). The lower grades are mentioned). The bombardment of the town and harbor continues. A number of buildings have been destroyed, and the harbor has sustained some damage. The garrisons are in excellent spirits."

Kingston, Dec. 18.—Admiral Robert the fate of Admiral Cervera. He believes the Japanese will smash him all to pieces the sons are in excellent spirits."

In another despatch, dated Nov. 28.

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Label Cigars.

Attacked a battery of the remainder of the enemy's fleet, obtained possession of a portion of the "And if the Russian naval commande works, but our heroes brought bayonets at Port Arthur fails to put two Japaneses and the Label Cigars."

RISS SHIPS SUFFER. St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—Despatches have been received from Port Arthur. On Dec. 5 Gen. Stoessel reports:
"At 7 o'clock yesterday morn-

fierce fight raged all day. We repelled three assaults. 'Towards evening the Japanese succeeded in obtaining pos-session of the crest of the hill, and immediately got two ma-chine guns into position there-"Among the wounded were

"Among the wounded were Gen. T-erpinsky and Lieut.-Col. Boutonssoff of the frontier guards. Col. Irrman performed prodigles of valor." Gen. Stoessel's 'ast despatch is dated Dec. 10 and says:
"Since the capture of Visokaia Hill our ships in the harbor have been suffered from eleveninch Japanese shells. "Gen. Tserpinsky succumbed to his wounds.

"The spirits of the troops are

assault of Visokaia Hill, bom-barding it simultaneously with 11-inch and 16-inch shells. A

NO IDEA OF SECESSION. Montreal, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mgr Archambault, being seen to-day,admit-

independent, rather than annexed to the United States. Not French Canada, not English Canada, but a united Can-ada, free and sovereign, was the pic-ture I intended to draw. There was no

New York, Dec. 18.-The snowstorm

and gale which struck the coast yester-

Amalgamation of Four Concerns Brought About by Desire to Reduce Expenses.

Montreal, Dec. 18.-(Special.) The long-talked-of cotton amalgamation is now an accomplished fact. The deal in question is one of the most extensive concentrations of capital which have

taken place in Canada for years. Hereafter the Dominion Cotton Company, the Merchants' Cotton Company, the Colonial Bleaching Company, and the Montmorency Cotton Company will with a capital of somewhere near \$10,-000.000, the whole representing bonds preferred and common stock.

It appears that the consolidation of these respective interests has been brought about by a mutual desire to reduce expenses and put an end to cut-

ting rates. The leading banking institutions in terested in the quartet of cotton com panies now brought together have given every encouragement to the new. deal, and as a matter of fact the Bank of Montreal has financed the new company, the name of which has not yet been decided upon by the promoters. The present capitalization of the com panies, with their respective presidents

are as follows: The Dominion Cotton Company, \$3, 633,000: Hon. L. J. Forget, The Merchants' Cotton Company, \$1. 500,000: James Crathern.

The Montmorency Cotton Company \$1,000,000; Lieut.-Col. Fred Henshaw. The Colonial Bleaching Company

\$300,000; H. S. Holt. The new company will pay for the four properties with bonds at 6 per cent., preferred at 7, and common stock, the bonds and floating debts of the old companies thus being taken care of. The promoters of this enterprise have already deposited the sum of \$1,000,000 with the Royal Trust Company as a guarantee of good faith in carrying

STRANGER IN BERLIN. day afternoon and continued until the Arrested Sunday, Charged With

was for a while during the worst of the storm, almost at a standstill. So heavy was the snowfall that lights could not be seen from the river about's length ahead, and ferryboats and other craft proceeded at a diminished headway. feeling their way cautiously thru the blinding storm.

No accidents of any moment were reported.

In the city the snowstorm which began yesterday afternoon continued almost without intermission until early this morning, with but little interruption of traffic.

At the Grand Central Station it was said to-night that the train service had not been interrupted.

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Making Fires.

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Berlin, Dec. 18—(Special.)—Walter Jones, a stranger in town, is under arrest here, charged with incendiar-firm. A fire occurred in a frame building in the rear of 77 East King-street about 1.30 o'clock this morning. This was the third fire which has occurred in Berlin since early Thursday morning, when the stables at the Grand Central Hotel were burned, along with five horses and some valuable vehicles, entailing a loss of \$4000. No cause could be assigned for these fires until suspicion rested on the man under arrest, who was seen at each of them, and who was released on suspended sentence in Galt the other day, having been convicted of setting fire to the grand stand in the park there.

GIVEN UP AS LOST. early hours of to-day was the most

Nova Scotian Schooner Six Weeks on Voyage.

ted having said he dreamed of an independent French Canada, but added that it was a slip of the tongue. "Speaking for myself," his lordship added, "I would prefer to see Canada free and carried a crew of seven men, all rela-The tern schooner Ivanhoe, which left hamas, has been given up as lost. Sha carried a crew of seven men, all relatives, and all belonging to Burgo, Nfid., where the vessel was owned. She also had one passenger, W. F. Collings of Charlottetown, P.E.I., who was going to pen and manage a branch business of a Halifax commission house. The Ivanhoe is a new vessel, having been launched last June. The hull was valued at \$6000 and the cargo at \$5006.

Rojestvensky Sees Doom Predicts His Own Defeat

The With the Port Arthur Fleet De- opinion Only to Perish at Togo's Hands.

works, but our heroes brought bayonets into use, and the Japanese retired, leaving a heap of their men. Along the whole front the Japanese re-opened a violent fire against the interior of the fortress, keeping it up until 5 o'clock on the morning of Nov. 27.

"The help which God sent us on the birthday of our mother, the czarina."

"Inasmuch as the Port Arthur fleet."

on the morning of Nov. 27.

"The help which God sent us on the birthday of our mother, the czarina, gave us further victory."

The message mentions the same four officers as given in the preceding despatch, together with several others who specially distinguished themselves.

Assaults Repulsed.

"A further despatch from Gen. Stoesel, dated Nov. 30, says:

"Since Nov. 27 the Japanese have been carrying on a violent bombard
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there is a general demand that stroyed Russian Admiral Goes

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in Russia, that the government will force Rojestvensky to give battle to Togo, notwithstanding the moral certainty that the Russian second Pacific Squadron will be as easily dispersed.

of her son-in-law, James A. Stevenson, lot 6, concession 6, Vaughan, Eliza Hartlev in her 79th year.

Grove Cemetery, on Tuesday at 10 a.m. 18, 1904, George Lightbound, commission merchant, formerly of the firm of Light-Montreal, aged 54 years,

Funeral services at Church of the Redeemer. West Bloor-street, on Tuesday. Dec. 20, at 3 o'clock. Interment in Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal. SIMPSON-At the residence of her brotherin-law, Daniel Kaiser, 92 Clarendon-avenue, Toronto Junction, on Thursday, Dec. 15, 1904, Ada Simpson, aged 24 years, Funeral service at house on Sunday Monday morning, by the G. T. Railway,

to King City Cemetery. William Lindsay Weir, painter, late of Toronto, aged 49 years. Funeral from his son's residence, 451

19, 3 p.m.

Established Manufacturing Furriers The W.& D.Dineen Co., manufacturing furriens corner Yonge and Temperance-streets, import all foreign skins direct all foreign skins direct from the European distributing stations. Native pelts are bought from hunters and trappers. All fur garments and dress accessories are made up on the premises to patterns supplied from the centres of style creation.

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Minimum and maximum temperatures;

Westminster, 38-42; Kamloops, 24-38;

Calgary, 10-32; Qu'Appelle, 6-16; Winniueg, 6 below-10; Parry Sound, 2-26; Toronto, 10-32; Ottawa, zero-18; Montreal, 2-18; Quebec, 2 below-18; Halifax, 10-28, Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay-High west to northwest winds snow flurries; turning much colder

City papers please copy.

LIGHTBOUND—At his residence, 19

North-street, Toronto, on Sunday, Dec.

18, 1904, George Lighthound, commission

At night.

Ottawa and Upper St, Lawrence—High winds; cold, with light snow.

Lower St, Lawrence and Gulf—High east and north winds; fair to cloudy and Maritime—Decreasing winds; fair and older.
Superior—Decidedly cold, with orthwesterly winds.
Manitoba—Fair and decidedly cold.

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