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DAVIS—On Sunday, Feb. 14, 1904, at his late residence, 53 Askin street, Amos Wallace Davis, in his 80th year.

Funeral private, on Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m.

SYMONS—On Sunday, Feb. 14, 1904, Charlotte, dearly beloved wife of John Symons, aged 61 years.

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FITZPATRICK—At St. Joseph's Hospital, on Sunday, Feb. 14, 1904, Thomas Fitzpatrick, aged 75 years.

Funeral private, from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Louis H. Graves, 249 Hyman street, on Tuesday afternoon; services at 2:30.

WILSON—In this city, on Feb. 13, 1904, George, beloved husband of Callista Wilson, aged 52 years.

Funeral from W. J. Smith & Son's undertaking parlors, on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 3 p.m.; service at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

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EAST MIDDLESEX LIBERALS WILL SELECT CANDIDATE NEXT SATURDAY

Convention Postponed Owing to the Absence of One of the Nominees.

The East Middlesex Liberal Association met Saturday afternoon to deal with the question of nominating a candidate for the House of Commons. Fourteen names were brought before the meeting. The Knights of Pythias Hall, where the convention was held, was packed to the doors with delegates and interested Liberals, and there was a great deal of enthusiasm, which showed itself especially on the arrival of Hon. Charles S. Hyman and when he spoke. President John McDougall occupied the chair, and at 2 o'clock nominating cards were passed.

Messrs. John McDougall, John Gilson, John Fisher, D. McIntyre, Dr. McWilliam, J. S. Cousins, George Hiscox, T. H. Purdom, E. Dunn, S. B. Gorwell, J. Murray and M. Flaherty declined nomination. It was known that Mr. J. M. McEvoy, who was among those proposed, would accept a unanimous nomination, but as Mr. Robert Sutherland, another nominee, was not present to state his intentions, it was not thought fair to hold the convention in his absence. Consequently an adjournment was made for a week.

Dr. Routledge, the Liberal member in the Ontario House, representing East Middlesex, was called upon and was given a very hearty reception. He made a short address, in which he pointed out that the record of the Liberal Government was one they could conscientiously support. He spoke briefly on some of the questions of the day. He offered to do all in his power to assisting the Liberals to victory in the riding when the elections came on.

When Hon. Charles Hyman was called upon there was great cheering. All the previous speakers, those whose names had been mentioned for parliamentary honors, had offered congratulations to Mr. Hyman, and to the city on his elevation to the cabinet. Mr. Hyman first thanked those present for what had been said, and for the hearty reception of him. Speaking on some of the questions of the day, Mr. Hyman first dealt with the redistribution, and as a member of the committee, which arranged the redistribution of seats, he justified himself for voting for three seats for Middlesex, and one for the city, instead of two. He was glad to have helped give the riding of East Middlesex that to which it had all along been due—a fighting chance for the Liberals.

Speaking of the tariff he referred to what the Conservatives had said that the Liberals had no tariff policy. The present tariff was the policy of the Liberal party and would remain so. He did not believe in tinkering with a tariff, and said that no changes would be made except as the conditions of the whole country demanded; a tariff should be made for not one section of the country, but in the interests of all. Canadians could see the results of the Liberal tariff. Canada's trade increase for the past seven years had been more than any other country's. Canada's increase was 107 per cent, with Japan next, and the United States down at 48 per cent.

Another matter Mr. Hyman ably referred to, was the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. He described the scheme and showed what a good bargain the Government had made. It was true that the Grand Trunk wanted some modifications, but he could assure them that they were such that they would not interfere with the construction of the road. Mr. Hyman's review of the situation was one of encouragement to every Liberal, and given with credit to himself.

Mr. Robert Boston, the candidate for North Middlesex, also addressed the convention, pointing out the need to work together. He and all the speakers expressed their intention of supporting whichever of the nominees was chosen as the candidate. Several others also made brief speeches.

RUSSIA EXPLAINS THOSE SEIZURES

British Boat Refused to Deliver Jap Passengers.

DENMARK AND THE BALTIC SEA

Tells Great Britain She Is Prepared to Defend Her Sea Routes—Japs Nurse Russians.

London Feb. 15. — The Russians have explained their reasons for firing on the British steamer Fu Ping, in which three of the Chinese crew were wounded. They assert that the vessel was leaving port without clearing. The British steamer Wenchow is being held by the Russians for refusing to deliver Japanese passengers. Captain Gunderson, of the Norwegian collier, Bydgo, has been imprisoned at Port Arthur for four days for having in his possession a chart of the Singvautau coaling station west of Port Arthur, and for showing the chart to the Japanese. Several Japanese were arrested with him, it is said. It is also reported that a correspondent has been arrested in attempting to send news by the steamer Chefoo, sailing for Port Arthur. The captain was allowed to leave on agreeing to say nothing about unconfirmed rumors that 51 Russian sailors had been killed in the engagement Tuesday. One refugee says he saw seven bodies landed from a disabled cruiser which was in a bad position with a heavy list, bow down.

DENMARK IS READY.

Tells Britain She Is Prepared to Defend Her Sea Routes.

Copenhagen, Denmark, Feb. 13.—The British Government has inquired if the Danish Government is prepared to defend Denmark's neutrality, especially the important sea routes. Denmark replied in effect: "We will defend ourselves." The construction placed on this inquiry here is that Great Britain appreciates the danger of Russia occupying Danish fortresses in the event of complications between Great Britain and Russia over the far eastern question. In consequence of possibility of such an outcome the Danish war department has ordered the army reserves to be ready for mobilization throughout Denmark within twelve hours. All the regimental offices are open day and night.

JAPS HELP RUSSIANS.

Washington, Feb. 15. — A cablegram has been received at the Japanese legation from Tokio stating that upon a request made through the British consul at Chemulpo, 34 of the Russian wounded in the recent naval engagement were put in the Japanese nurses' hospital at Chemulpo and are being treated by Japanese doctors.

ASSORTED WAR RUMORS.

London, Monday, Feb. 15.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times, cabling under date of Feb. 12, says: "It is said that the Japanese squadron has sealed Port Arthur."

The Telegraph's Shanghai correspondent, under date Feb. 12, says it is reported that the Japanese have bombarded Dalny and landed marines.

The Times Wei Hai Wei correspondent says that on the morning of Feb. 10 the Japanese occupied Ching Hai Wen, a Russian coaling station close to Masampho.

The United States state department has instructed Ambassador McCormick to ask the Russian Government at St. Petersburg for an explanation of the compulsory detention in the harbor of Port Arthur of the American steamship Pleiades, which conveyed a cargo of flour to that place from Honolulu just before the outbreak of hostilities.

The correspondent of the Daily Express at Pekin, in a cablegram, dated Feb. 12, reported that Viceroy Alexieff is practically isolated, direct communication between Port Arthur and Vladivostock being suspended. He adds that the railroad behind Port Arthur has been blown up and that 6,000 Japanese troops have landed near Dalny.

The Daily Mail's Tokio correspondent, under date of Feb. 12, says that the Japanese warship Akagi has captured the German steamer Yokohama, which had a cargo including dynamite, for Port Arthur.

The Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, expresses the conviction that Russia is quite unable to hold the Liao Tung peninsula, and that Port Arthur is bound to fall in time, even without an assault.

The mystery surrounding the fate of the Vladivostock squadron is still unsolved. The Daily Mail, the Daily Telegraph and other papers published dispatches from Tokio, Nagasaki and Shanghai reporting the destruction of three Russian cruisers by mines or torpedoes in the Tsugaru Strait, off Aomori, Japan. The Daily Mail, which at first described the news as official, in a later telegram says the report still lacks absolute confirmation. The reports are not generally credited.

The Daily Mail's Port Arthur correspondent, under date of Feb. 12, says: "Official advices state that the Japanese landed 600 soldiers near Talienwan, with disastrous results, 410 being sabred by Cossacks. The remainder escaped to their ships. It is further stated that the Japanese landed at Dove Bay, where 30 of them were killed and the remainder retreated."

The Daily Mail's New Chwang correspondent, under date of Feb. 11, cables: "According to official Port Arthur telegrams, the Japanese landed a force yesterday at Pigeon Bay, west of Port Arthur. They were then attacked by troops and by the batteries, and were defeated with heavy loss."

A dispatch from Ying Tszu, Manchuria, says: The rumors that the Japanese had landed troops at Pigeon Bay or elsewhere on the Liao Tung peninsula are unfounded.

A dispatch from Nagasaki says: "Six Norwegian steamers chartered by a Russian naval contractor have been captured. The vessels are the Lena, Activ, Sentis, Seistadt, Argo and Hermis. They carried coal cargoes. The Hermis arrived here today under convoy of a cruiser.

It is rumored that 1,800 Japanese soldiers have been killed, presumably by the sinking of a transport.

A statement that China will maintain neutrality is published in Pekin. It is reported from Tien Tsin that all foreigners and civilians have been ordered to leave Port Arthur.

It is also reported that the Siberian railroad has been wrecked in six places, covering a distance of 70 miles.

Vice-Admiral Bayle, commander of the French squadron, in the far east, has sent a cable message to the French navy department, saying that upon the requests of French ministers at Seoul and Tokio the cruiser Gueydon will stop at Chemulpo and take on board the Russian marines, who were received on the foreign warships of Chemulpo after the engagement in which the Variag and the Korietz were destroyed. The vice-admiral adds that the Japanese Government has given the Gueydon a safe conduct.

The Government of Egypt has permitted the disabled Russian torpedo-boat destroyer to go into dock for repairs. She will be towed to Port Said.

Viceroy Alexieff's silence about the Vladivostock squadron is explained as follows: "For strategic reasons, the viceroy, as commander-in-chief, is empowered to dispose of the ships and men without consulting headquarters. The enumeration of the Russian ships engaged at Port Arthur was purposly omitted in the official reports, as it would have given a valuable clue to the enemy."

A steamer arriving at Port Arthur says the Russian cruiser Askold was damaged in Tuesday's battle in the roads, outside of Port Arthur, but was kept afloat until Saturday, when it sank in 30 fathoms.

Notice To Creditors.

Creditors and others having claims against the estate of Annie Tilson, late of the City of London, widow, who died on the 31st day of July, 1903, are, on or before the 1st day of March, 1904, to send in their claims to Purdom & Purdom, London, solicitors for the administrator. After the 1st day of March, 1904, the administrator will proceed to distribute the assets among persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and will not be responsible to any person of whose claim he shall not then have notice. PURDOM & PURDOM, solicitors for MARTIN O'SULLIVAN, administrator.

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HENSALL.

Hensall, Feb. 13.—A train north on Monday, Feb. 1, and then blank until Saturday, the 6th; then ten sacks of mail on Monday, the 8th. The last freight went north on Monday, Jan. 18, and the next arrived on Thursday evening, Feb. 11. Needless to say, a number of lines of goods were out of stock. Coal is the thing universally desired, ad as Mr. J. McDowell went to London on Thursday morning, we know that he will get it here as soon as possible.

The W. C. T. U. entertainment on Friday evening in the basement of the Presbyterian Church was very successful.

Quarterly services were held in the Methodist Church on Sunday.

On Tuesday afternoon the chopping mill in Mr. T. Welsh's power house flew to pieces, injuring Mr. Welsh and his brother John. Their escape from death was almost miraculous. Mr. Welsh has been able to keep the electric plant going with a slightly reduced service.

On Tuesday, the 2nd inst., the Exeter junior hockey players were billed for a game here. They got the game postponed till the 4th, and then did not put in an appearance or send any word. After the cold, stormy night that our boys drove to Exeter, the conduct of the Exeter people was decidedly unsportsmanlike.

Our local paper could not be printed till Saturday last week, on account of there being no train service.

On Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 9, at the residence of her father, Councilor H. Cook, Miss Lavina Cook was married to Mr. Johns, of Guelph, by Rev. Dr. Medd. This was one of the swellest weddings that ever took place in Hensall. A number of relatives from a distance were present, and to meet them a number of our young people were invited in on Wednesday evening and had a very pleasant time. The band serenaded the bridal party.

CHAOS IN SAN DOMINGO

General Jiminez's Troops Are Carrying All Before Them.

New York, Feb. 15. — A special from Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, to the Herald, says:

Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, Sunday. — General Jiminez's forces, numbering 450 men, with one cannon and under command of Gens. Navarro Polien and Espailla, have been at Navarette for four days. They have cut the railroad and telegraph wires and are in complete control of the city. They have destroyed the railroad track and all attempts to repair it have met with armed resistance, and threats have been made to kill the railway agent if he did not open the freight cars and allow the rebels to loot them.

Traffic between here and Santiago de Los Caballeros has been paralyzed for nine days. The battle-cry at Santiago is "There are no Americans to disarm us, as was done at Puerto Plata."

Business is at a standstill and the crops are ruined on account of nearly every man being compelled to fight on one side or the other. Merchants are being ruined and the opinion prevails that no government is able to guarantee peace and order.

Two hundred rush seats at 50 cents for Pittsburg orchestra tomorrow night. These are good seats.

Hotel Rates Reduced.

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