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Officers Promoted

List of Honors Takes Up Sixteen Pages of the London Gazette.

For Services in South Africa Prior to End of Last November.

London, April 20.—The list of officers accorded promotions and honors for their services in Africa prior to November 29 1900, when Lord Roberts gave up the command of the British forces in Africa fill up sixteen pages of the Gazette.

Lord Kitchener, General Buller, General Forestier-Walker and General White are made Knights of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George, General Kitchener, brother of Lord Kitchener, General Kelly-Kenny, General Sir Archibald Hunter and General Lyttleton are made adjutant-generals.

General Pole-Carew, General French, General Ian Hamilton, General Charles F. Knox, General Sir W[illegible] Nicholson, General Arthur S[illegible], General Charles W. H. Douglas, General Smith Dorien, General F. W. Kitchener, the Earl of Dundonald, [illegible] Arthur Paget and General B[illegible]lton are made major-generals.

Col. Robert G. Broad[illegible] Lieut.-Colonel Herbert Plum[illegible]os. Pitcher are among those [illegible] extra aides de camp to King [illegible]. The officers thus promoted h[illegible] holding the acting ranks to which they are now appointed.

Aliwal North, Cape Colony, April 19.—General Hector Macdonald has been appointed to an important command on the Afghan frontier.

BROCKTON POINT.

Y. M. C. A. Lacrosse Team Cannot Practise There.

Vancouver, April 19.—(Special)—The Brockton Point Association m[illegible] last night and again the Y. M. C. A. Lacrosse Club was shut out. It was pointed out by many of the members that there was not room for the practice of two clubs, and as the Vancouver club had been recognized by the British Columbia association, and were to uphold the honor of Vancouver in the province, they must be given the preference. The following resolutions were passed: Whereas the present lacrosse grounds at Brockton Point are not large enough to permit the practice of lacrosse by two clubs at the same time; and whereas the Vancouver Lacrosse Club has to represent Vancouver in the league matches, during the coming season; it is therefore necessary that every possible opportunity be given to the team of the Vancouver Lacrosse Club to practise. That for the above reasons permission cannot be given to the Y. M. C. A. to use the lacrosse grounds for practice unless an arrangement is made between the two clubs to the effect that the use of the grounds be given to the Y. M. C. A. Lacrosse Club for matches on days to be fixed; that, provided the necessary financial arrangements can be made to enable the Brockton Point Association to enlarge the grounds, this committee would be pleased to grant permission to the Y. M. C. A. Lacrosse Club to use the grounds for practice as well as for matches. The following officers were elected: C. Sweeney, president; A. St. G. Hamersley, vice-president; J. Fagan, secretary; T. S. C. Saunders, treasurer.

R. Sweeney, nephew of Mr. Sweeney, of the firm of Messrs. Cross & Sweeney, Seattle, is to be in Vancouver next week in connection with Kappling Columbia Brewery of this city. It is stated that the firm of Cross & Sweeney will expend $400,000 in the purchasing and enlarging of this going concern, and will not only supply the local trade, but will cater for the Northern trade and interior points of British Columbia as well.

Col. Dudley, United States consul of this port, has received a reply to a communication sent by him to Secretary Gage, suggesting that it was a great hardship for Canadian hulls and boilers being inspected at Honolulu. Secretary Gage said (more particularly referring to the Australian lines) that steamships desiring to be inspected at Vancouver and Victoria in preference to Honolulu, might do so by paying the United States' inspector's expenses from Seattle to these points.

The International Ice & Cold Storage Company are going to increase the capacity of their establishment. A large two-story addition is to be erected and the outer story will be utilized for the handling of milk and making butter and ice-cream. The milk will be tested and sterilized, bottled and sold direct to customers.

CAPTURE TRAIN.

Boers Seize Supplies Near Molteno.

East London, Cape Colony, April 19.—A train laden with cattle and coal was captured by the Boers near Molteno, Cape Colony, last evening. The forward locomotive escaped and ran to Stromberg and returned with troops, who found the train on fire. A couple of natives were killed. The train hands had been stripped and then released.

Montreal, April 20.—(Special.)—Four Canadian officers who served in South Africa were mentioned in the war honor roll gazetted yesterday. They are Colonels Steel, Otter, Drury and Evans who are created C. B.'s.

FRENCH CLAIMS.

They Amount to Forty Million Dollars.

Paris, April 19.—The officials of the French foreign office say that France's claims for indemnity amount to 200,000,000 francs ($40,000,000 dollars). An official despatch from Pekin says that Lieut.-Col. Marchand was the first to render help at the fire which destroyed the headquarters of Field Marshal von Waldersee, thus confirming previous despatches on the same subject.

MANITOBA LIQUOR LAW.

Closing Time Must Be Observed or Licenses Forfeited.

Winnipeg, April 19.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Campbell has issued orders that city hotel keepers must observe the liquor license laws as regards Saturday night or Sunday closing or their licenses will be revoked.

A number of female operators in the Bell Telephone Co. Exchange struck work to-day owing to what they claim are unjust rules imposed by the chiefs.

Charles Waggoner dropped dead in a Gilbert Plains drug store. He is supposed to have helped himself to a dose of aconite, whilst under the influence of liquor.

FOUR MORE MEMBERS.

Rumor as to British Columbia's Representation at Ottawa.

Vancouver, April 19.—(Special)—At a meeting of the Citizens' Association last night, it was stated by one of the members that private information had been received to the effect that four more members would be allowed British Columbia in the Ottawa house; no other information about the matter could be obtained. The association is interested in a scheme to beautify and improve the English Bay beach, and erect handsome summer and winter bathing houses in Stanley park, close to the beach. A committee will interview the city council regarding the matter, and it was decided at the meeting that the government be communicated with regarding the immediate appointment of a gold commissioner and mining recorder for Vancouver. A committee was appointed to revive the agitation for a mint in Vancouver.

Several Germans have purchased the property of H. J May, at Capilano canyon. The spot purchased is said to be the most picturesque in British Columbia. The Germans are to convert it, it is understood, into a beer garden, and will erect a commodious hotel thereon for the convenience of summer pleasure seekers.

To-day the Vancouver school children start their nickel contributions for the Queen's Memorial fund. Five cents a week is to be contributed for five weeks. G. F. Baldwin, city treasurer, has charge of the fund.

It has been learned that the Ramona explosion was caused by the crown sheet of the boiler falling in. It has been explained that the crown sheet is known to engineers as the ceiling of the furnace or fire-box, and is supported by large bolts from the top of the shell of the boiler.

The Militia Discussed

Dr. Borden Promises a School of Musketry At Ottawa This Year.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 19.—The militia estimates were under discussion all day, Col. Prior, Col. Tisdale and other military men conducting a friendly criticism.

The minister announced that a school of musketry would be established at Ottawa this summer. Three classes will be held annually, each lasting two months. Representatives from every regiment will come to Ottawa for instruction.

The minister told the leader of the opposition that the pension scheme for South African veterans would be a liberal one.

Mr. Clarke urged that the first contingent should be paid the same rates as the second contingent. They had rendered good service and were deserving of consideration. Several members supported this, and the minister said he would consider it.

Dr. Borden also announced that six corps of mounted rifles will be formed.

There was no intention to re-establish canteens in drill camps.

Col. Prior expressed regret that there was not a larger appropriation for the annual drill.

Mr. Kendry took Ralph Smith to task for a misstatement regarding the closing down of woolen mills.

Mr. Northrup will move that the Nipissing election case be referred to the privileges committee.

Two more members of the government, Messrs. Davis and Fitzpatrick, had a disagreement to-day in committee over the St. Lawrence Power Company's bill.

No artillery team will go to Shoeburyness this year, as the Imperial government desire the use of the ranges for experimenting.

NANAIMO IS TO CELEBRATE

Public Meeting of Citizens Decides On Queen's Birthday Fetes As Usual.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, April 19.—At a public meeting of citizens this evening in the city hall, the mayor presiding, it was unanimously decided to celebrate the late Queen's birthday as in former years. A strong committee representing all the principal business and industries was appointed to canvass citizens for subscriptions.

The day will be celebrated with sports, regatta, public dance, etc.

David Davis, a young unmarried miner, a native of Wales, died immediately after being lifted out of Extension slope to-day, where a large mass of coal fell on him while working this afternoon.

GOING HOME.

More United States Volunteers Are to Leave Manila.

Manila April 19.—Gen. Macarthur and Gen. Bates, the commander of the department of Southern Luzon, who is shortly to sail for the United States, reviewed to-day the Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth volunteer infantry, which will sail for home on the transport Sheridan on Monday next. During the past week 288 rifles have been surrendered. The extent of the commissary irregularities is not yet defined, but is possibly smaller than at first supposed.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS.

To Petition Government For Leave to Hold Meeting.

St. Petersburg, April 19.—Three students will present to-morrow to Gen. Varnowska, minister of public instruction, a petition asking that students of the University of St. Petersburg be permitted to meet Saturday for the purpose of deciding whether they will participate in the examinations. Some of the students are in favor of absenting themselves until the students who have been drafted into the army are released and those who have been expelled are reinstated. It is believed the meeting will be held, however, even if the minister refuses his permission. Some of the schools, however, recalled the expelled students.

Storms in The States

Snow and Rain Cause Ohio River to Rise and Threaten Great Floods.

Oswego and Rochester New York Report Losses on the Lakes.

Cincinnati, O., April 20.—Peculiar weather conditions during the week have culminated in rain and snow storms of almost unprecedented dimensions, so distributed that a tremendous flood in the Ohio river is impending. It is too early yet to predict with accuracy the extent of the coming flood, but all signs point to a stage of water that must bring devastation of a most serious nature all along the Ohio river and its tributaries in Ohio, in West Virgina and Kentucky.

Oswego, N. Y., April 20.—The schooner Two Brothers, of Kingston, Ont., was ashore against the inner pier of the harbor here this evening during a terrific northeast gale, and was damaged badly.

Rochester, N. Y., April 20.—The schooner Macdonald lost her life boat and deck cargo just outside the piers in the storm to-day. The life saving crew picked up the boat after the schooner had made port The steam barges Rosemount and Glengarry, due here from Kingston to-day have not yet been sighted. It is thought by old sailors that under ordinary circumstances a heavy lake steamer can stand the seas running. A ship described as her is now supposed to be out of danger. The life savers have not been signalled.

Pittsburg, April 20.—The damage to the railroad companies wrought by the storm raging all over the country, is almost inestimable. There is not one of the local railroads which is not suffering from some sort of trouble. Landslides, snow in the north and west, and washouts in the south and west. The Pennsylvania and all its divisions and western lines, the Baltimore & Ohio, the Pittsburg and Lake Erie all have the same tale of delayed trains, track covered with earth from landslides and northern divisions blocked by snow.

Blacksburg, S. C., April 20.—A portion of the South Carolina and Georgia railway extension near here was undermined by the water last night. A freight train ran into the washout this afternoon and J. D. Metclaf injured, it is feared, fatally.

The condition is something of a surprise at Cincinnati because, although there has been rain almost every day in the week it was not heavy enough to create apprehension. But in Kentucky and West Virginia rains were falling as early as Wednesday and over a vast extent of the Ohio river valley watershed was continuous This heavy rain served to cause a rise in the Ohio river until this morning it was rising all the way from Pittsburg to Louisville. Following these rains came the tremendous snowfall of last night, which reached from Canada to the Atlantic with its western border less than a hundred miles from Cincinnati. By its mere weight and by the force of the wind, in many places there was almost complete paralysis of all wire communication across this snow belt to-day.

From twelve to fifteen inches of snow lies over the eastern Ohio and over the greater part of Western Virginia and Eastern Kentucky. This is supplemented by heavy rain in the region of the headquarters of the Ohio to-day. The weather bureau official was confident that the rain must cease to-day, but with warmer weather to-morrow the vast snow area will melt and add to the great volume of water. It is therefore easily possible for a flood of disastrous proportions to sweep down the Ohio valley within the next few days.

PRIEST DISAPPEARS.

Fears That He Was Murdered for His Money.

Montreal, April 20.—One night in November last, Rev. Father Joly, of Ste. Emilie de l'An parish, mysteriously disappeared. Since that time he has not been seen or heard from. It would appear from stories told by villagers that he was in fear for his life for several months. None of his flock, not even the cure, knew that the missing man was wealthy. This revelation being made recently by Archbishop Bruscesi, to whom matters had been reported, he at once requested Chief of Detectives McCaskill to investigate. The detective discovered that Father Joly had several thousand dollars deposited in banks at Montreal; besides this he usually kept large sums in his parish home. This seems to furnish the only tangible clue which supports belief that he has been murdered and his body thrown into the lake.

MRS. MAYBRICK AGAIN.

Yearly Story About the Imprisoned Woman Told Once More.

Washington, April 19.—Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy, at London, was introduced to the President to-day before the cabinet meeting, by Secretary Hay. Mr. White is here on his annual visit to this country, and will return to England next month. He is taking great interest in the case of Mrs. Maybrick. The worst thing that could happen for Mrs. Maybrick, he said, is for someone to resume the agitation of her case in this country. Her eventual freedom has been delayed by the agitation over here. The revival of the talk has led to abusive letters being sent to the English authorities by people in this country. Even Queen Victoria was the recipient of several letters from enthusiasts in Mrs. Maybrick's case. I have been working on the case ever since she was sent to prison and at every opportunity to do something for the unfortunate woman, I have exerted myself with every home secretary in the British cabinet. I have no means of knowing what King Edward thinks, but I do not believe he will interfere in the case. The late Queen made it a strict rule to have nothing to do with capital cases. Mrs. Maybrick is in the Aylesbury prison, and is kindly treated. Her health is not seriously affected, although she has not been in the best of health. She is fairly cheerful and has a good prison record.

PREMIER ROBLIN.

Manitoba's First Minister Returns to Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, April 20.—(Special)—Premier Roblin returned home from the Hot Springs to-day. He has nothing new to say on the railway situation.

HEINZE SMELTER FIRE.

Two Hundred Thousand Dollars Destroyed at Butte.

Butte, Mont., April 19.—Fire at the Heinze smelter to-day caused loss estimated at $200,000. The smokestacks in falling hurt one man. The insurance will probably amount to $100,000.

FIRE TRAPS.

Montreal, April 19.—Chief Benoit, of the fire brigade, has just completed the inspection of big buildings in the city, and reports the discovery of many fire traps. In one educational establishment where children sleep on the fifth floor, the building had no fire escape.

CHRONIC BRONCHITIS.

Rev. J. N. Van Nattar, of Streator, Ill., writes: "About one year ago I obtained from you six bottles of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. I gave away two and took the other four. I had been seriously afflicted with Chronic Bronchitis for ten years and could get no relief. A leading physician told me that it was only a question of time until it would wear me out, but thanks to this wonderful remedy of Dr. Chase I am now a strong man." 25 cents a bottle, all dealers.

Shamrock II Christened

Lady Dufferin Names the New Challenger for the America Cup.

Dumbarton, April 20. — Shamrock II. was successfully launched this afternoon at Denny's yard, in the presence of a good crowd of invited guests, newspaper men and employees.

Lady Dufferin christened the new challenger. The new yacht looked spick and span in its coat of white paint, rimmed with green, while the manganese bottom shone like a mirror.

Lord and Lady Dufferin, Sir Thomas Lipton and others, who came from Glasgow on a special train, stood upon a raised platform decorated with Union Jacks, the Stars and Stripes and the Irish flag, and with venetian masts in green and white, which were the prevailing colors.

The weather could not have been better, the sun shone brightly, and overcoats had been discarded. The employees of the Denny's had a holiday, and in fact all Dumbarton was en fete to see Lady Dufferin break the bottle over the curiously snub-nosed bow of the new boat.

There is no disguising the fact that the British experts here to-day are very confident about the new boat, and think her the best that ever challenged for the cup.

"But if you don't win," said the correspondent of the Associated Press to Sir Thos. Lipton, "will you try again?"

"I expect next year to build a defender, not a challenger," was the answer.

In this connection the manager of Denny's yard said: "When Mr. James Gordon Bennett saw the Shamrock II. here a few weeks ago he said: 'Well, if she wins, I am prepared to build a challenger.'"

At 11.45 a.m. to-day Sir Thomas Liptons personally conducted the correspondent of the Associated Press over and under the Shamrock II. She is built to a general type but embodies such novelties as prove her designer pursued an independent line of development. When the yacht is viewed in profile the most striking feature is the extreme fineness of her ends. The overhangings fore and aft are drawn out to exceptional length and the waterline underneath looks deceptively short. Her fin is of medium length, probably 30 feet at the extreme measurement, and is finished at the bottom with a pronounced rocker. Without doubt the chief characteristic of the yacht's design is the manner in which her beam is thrown right forward, almost into the eyes of the boat. The forward deck lines are carried out full well into the overhang and the drawing in does not start until half way between the mast and stern. From about the mast it runs aft in a long easy curve and goes out into the longest and finest counter ever seen on a cup challenger. The breadth at the taffrail is seven feet. For the purpose of saving weight forward the stem is snubbed off, leaving a small, flat triangular surface under the bowsprit. The deck with its wide lines forward and fine run has the appearance of having been suggested by towing experiments.

Some danger of forming an awkward shoulder might have been experienced in drawing the wide deck down to the final lines of the underbody, but the problem appears to have been met successfuly. Every line runs true. The general shape of the bows give sthe impression of a boat which should be able to keep her head well up, no matter how hard pressed. It was in this ability to keep her head up that the Columbia's chief superiority over the first Shamrock lay.

To take the first Shamrock as a standard for comparison, it may be said that the principle of making the yacht sail over rather than through the water, will be pushed very much further in the present yacht. There is none of the flat sides under the bow or big shoulder seen in the Fife boat.

When the yacht is viewed end on it is seen that Mr. Watson has departed greatly from the midship section adopted by Fife. The new challenger is immeasurably easier than the previous boat in the turn of the bulge and garheds and easier even than Columbia. The fin is narrow in the section where it joins the hull and spreads until it turns in the round in which the lead is carried. The same principle of skimming water is seen in the after end. All the sections are again in segments of a circle.

The total draught from the water line to the bottom of the rockered curve of the keel is only an inch or two over 18 feet, or two feet less than that of the previous challenger. In the measurement at the extreme beam there is little difference, though the point of this measurement falls much further forward in the Fife boat. In the matter of overall length the advantage lies with the new craft by nearly ten feet.

Summing up, the challenger undoubtedly has the finest lines ever turned out of the Clyde. She undoubtedly has a hull that will be easily driven. Her beam will give her a good deal of stability, but she will sail a trifle tender and will be best suited when club topsails can be carried with dry decks.

Capt. Hogarth, who sailed the last challenger, said to the correspondent of the Associated Press: "Everything has been done in the best possible way. I have more confidence than I ever had before."

Mr. W. G. Jameson, of Dublin, who sailed the Prince of Wales' cutter, the Britannia, with Capt. Carter, and who will be Sir Thomas Lipton's representative on board the cup challenger, said: "If this does not bring back the cup we might as well leave it, but I shall be surprised if that is the outcome of our visit to America."

Dewet Is Located

Elusive General Is Near Kroonstad in the Orange River Colony.

But He Has Few Followers and Cannot Make Offensive Movement.

London, April 21.—A despatch to a news agency here from Harrismith under date of yesterday, locates Gen. Dewet near Kroonstad, and says he has few followers and is unable to recruit a sufficient force to make an offensive movement. There have been numerous surrenders of starving Boers.

LEAD REFINERY.

Vancouver Board of Trade Asks Dominion to Aid.

Vancouver, April 20.—(Special)—The council of the board of trade have passed a resolution that it is their opinion that the government of the Dominion should aid in procuring a lead ore refinery in British Columbia. The council also passed a resolution urging the Dominion government to immediate purchasing of assay offices at Vancouver.

Rev. E. D. McLaren will go to Kingston to receive from Queen's University the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

The Y. M. C. A. Lacrosse Club will practise on the Powell street grounds, and will get themselves in readiness for a schedule of exhibition matches with the Coast clubs.

J. E. Johnston, father of B. B. Johnston, died last night in his 89th year.

Mr. George Hunt, of this city, and Miss Emma Light, of Manchester England, were married last evening. Rev. H. J. Underhill officiated.

At a meeting of grocers last night, held to consider the practicability of combining all the grocery stores in this city, it was decided, after a long debate, to postpone the discussion of the matter for one week. Much opposition has developed against the scheme among the smaller grocers. It is possible, however, that a number of the large retail groceries may amalgamate their interests as a result of the agitation.

METHODIST TRANSFERS.

Changes of Station for a Number of the Eastern Ministers.

Toronto, April 20.—(Special)—The transfer committee of the Methodist conference has sanctioned the transfer of Rev. Dr. Antiff, from London conference to Kingston; of Rev. C. E. Manning and Rev. J. W. Graham from Toronto; Rev. M. Johnston from Sudbury, and Rev. John Phillips from Hamilton to Montreal.

Rev. J. E. Starr, Stanstead, and Rev. W. Sparling, of Montreal, are to be transferred to the Toronto conference, and Rev. E. B. Lanceley from Montreal to the Bay of Quinte. It is expected that Rev. J. E. Starr will be stationed at Bathurst street church, Toronto; Rev. C. E. Manning, Dominion Square church, Montreal; Rev. Prof. Antliff to Queen street church, Kingston; Rev. J. W. Graham to St. James' church, Montreal; Rev. W. Sparling to the Metropolitan, Toronto; Rev. E. B. Lanceley to Port Hope.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Book-keeper Says Three Men Attacked Him.

Rutland, Vt., April 20.—The authorities here were notified to-day of an attempt to murder Charles F. Campbell, a book-keeper for Belton Bros. Manufacturing Co., at Wallingford, late last night. The story told by Mr. Campbell is to the effect that while he was at work in the office of the factory at Wallingford, about 1 o'clock last night, three men rushed into the place, and without warning him, one of them pulled a revolver and discharged it, the bullet striking Campbell two inches below the heart. He crawled out of the place and dragged himself to a hotel half a mile away. He gave an incomplete story of the affair and became unconscious. He remains in a stupor to-day, and physicians state that there is little hope that he will recover.

DISMISSALS.

Men Discharged From Public Works Department by Mr. Tarte's Order.

Ottawa, April 20. — (Special.) — Mr. Tarte to-day dismissed fifteen members of the mechanical staff and 75 laborers of the Public Works department. No reason is assigned.

The Post Office department proposes to acquire locomobiles to collect mail matter from street boxes in leading cities.

The outpost of Bernett will be abolished from May 1. White Horse becomes a customs and warehousing port on the same day.

Civil service promotion examination will be held in Vancouver on May 21.

SANDBAGGED.

Unknown Man Killed in New York Hotel.

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New York, April 20.—An unknown, well dressed man about forty years of age was sandbagged and killed late fonight in Mayer's Hotel, Fulton street. The police arrested Richard J. Mullen, Geo. Webber, Max Wagoner, Herman Hutz, Andrew Knapp and Paul Kramer all of this city. In the pockets of the dead man was found an envelope addressed to A. D. Lord, of Palham, N. Y.

THE NEW LOAN.

A Portion of It Will Be Floated in New York.

New York, April 20.—The prospectus of the £60,000,000 British loan was issued to-day from the office of J. P. Morgan & Co., who announced that their firm, Baring Magoun & Co., of this city Drexel & Co., of Philadelphia, and Kidder, Peabody & Co., of Boston, were prepared to receive bids.

TRANSPORT GARONNE.

Reaches San Francisco With United States Volunteers Aboard.

San Francisco, April 20.—The transport Garonne arrived here to-day from Manila, via Nagasaki and Honolulu. On board are one thousand men of the 26th volunteer infantry.

MAD MULLAH.

British and Abyssinians Will Soon March Against Him.

Aden, April 20.—The Mad Mullah is now at Lassidar, four days' march down the Tug Dayr river. It is understood he has 40,000 followers, including 8,000 horsemen, with quantities of ammunition obtained from an unknown source. A British force will shortly be concentrated at Burac, preparatory to a general advance in conjunction with the Abyssinians

NEW SALON.

Fine Arts Exhibition Opened in Paris By President Loubet.

Paris, April 20.—The exposition of the National Society of Fine Arts, popularly known as the "New Salon," was virtually opened to-day by the official visit of President Loubet. The exhibitions of the old and new salons are both held in the same building, the grand palais of the exhibition, but the former opens ten days later.

MILITARY FUNERAL.

German Chief of Staff at Pekin Is Buried.

Pekin, April 27.—The funeral of Gen. Gross von Schwarteokopf was held here to-day. The ceremony constituted the most imposing military spectacle since the memorial service to Queen Victoria. Troops from all nations represented at Pekin were present.

AT SINGAPORE.

Duke and Duchess of Cornwall Have Landed There.

Singapore, April 20.—The Ophir arrived here this morning, and the official landing of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York and their party was made at 10:15 o'clock.

INTERNATIONAL CHESS MATCH

Results in a Drawn Battle After a Two Day's Contest.

New York, April 20.—After a fierce battle which lasted two days, the chess players representing the United States and the United Kingdom broke even in the sixth international match by cable. The Englishmen scored two games and kept the lead until this evening, when victories by Newman and Pillsbury offset their advantage. Two games were agreed upon as drawn, so when the twelfth hour, London time, approached, there were still four games going which by the rule should have been submitted to the referee for adjudication. By mutual consent, however, two more games were called a draw and each side was awarded one game.

AGUINALDO'S ADDRESS.

Uneducated, but Composed His Flowery Appeal Unaided.

Manila, April 20.—General Macarthur informed the Associated Press that the effect of Aguinaldo's address to the Filipinos would undoubtedly be beneficial. Aguinaldo composed his address without assistance. The original draft was in Tagalog. It was afterwards translated into Spanish. It is believed Aguinaldo is sincerely desirous of peace. He is not an educated man, but is possessed of considerable character and improves on acquaintance. Aguinaldo is not anxious to visit the United States, and it is considered best that he should remain here pending the completion of the work of pacification. He has been removed from the Malicanang palace to a private residence. The guard placed over him has been moderated .

IMPROVED COMMUNICATION.

Railway Ferry to Ladysmith Proves a Great Advantage.

Nanaimo, April 20.—(Special)—An example of the improvement in the freight business between this point and places east was given to-day when a consignment of malt amounting to twenty tons arrived at the railway depot, direct from Chicago. It came to Vancouver, and from there to Ladysmith by railway ferry, and thence up the line of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway. Shipping freight via Ladysmith saves time and trouble of extra handling, which would also add considerably to the cost. Important consignments of goods from Eastern Canada are now coming here regularly by this route, the latest having been a carload of pianos for a local firm. The pianos were packed in the cars at the factory door and were not unloaded or handled until they were taken out here to be set up in the show rooms.

Vivian Walkem, the eldest son of Dr. Walkem, of Alexandra, almost ran over a big panther on the road between that town and Nanaimo yesterday, while on his wheel. He had dismounted to pass a swamp in the middle of the road, and was pushing his wheel before him round the slough when he saw a large brown animal crouching in the shadow of the underbrush and creeping towards him. The beast did not at first seem to see him, but the moment it caught sight of him it uttered a growl and sprang up a tree near by, sending the bark and moss flying in showers owing to the energy he used in climbing the trunk. Walkem was badly scared at first, but on seeing the panther affected in the same way, he threw a stone at it, which, however, only made the panther climb higher. Walkem having no arms regretfully wheeled on his way.

Capt. Jackson and Mrs. Jackson, of the Salvation Army, left this morning for Kamloops, after a sojourn of nine months here. During their residence in the city Salvation Army matters have prospered considerably, Capt. and Mrs. Jackson having taken a lively interest in public affairs.

Mr. James Lewis and Miss Charlotte Jane Peterson, both of Gabriola Island, were married by the Rev. W. B. Cumming at St. Andrew's Presbyterian manse, on Thursday afternoon. Miss Margaret Lewis acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. John Degnen was best man.

Dr. W. W. Walkem has sent down to the provincial museum, Victoria, three rare sea crabs captured on the shores of Gabriola Island. One is a splendid specimen of the hermit crab, and the others are king crabs.

Complaints are being made to the authorities about the prevalence of shebeening at Extension. It is alleged that the place is honeycombed with illicit supply places, and that the proprietors of them are growing bolder in their operations.

Beef For The Army

Lord Stanley Confirms Reports About Supplies for the Soldiers.

Contracts for All Troops In United Kingdom Exclude Foreign Meat.

London, April 19.—Answering a question in the House of Commons to-day, the financial secretary of the war office, Lord Stanley, confirmed the report that all the contracts now made excluded the supplying of foreign meats in the case of all troops in the United Kingdom.

The under secretary of the foreign office, Lord Cranborne, replying to a question, said that the Russian flag still flew over the customs house at New Chwang, and that the customs were collected by a Chinese staff, turned over to the Russians, and held by them in trust subject to future settlement.

The house adopted the war loan resolution by 186 to 117.

The ordinary weekly cabinet meeting was held to-day under the presidency of Mr. A. J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury.

A committee of the Cobden Club met to-night and resolved to open an agitation against the sugar and coal taxes. Replying to a deputation of members of the House of Commons, representing the coal interests to-night, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach consented to an arrangement enabling the coal exporters to execute contracts pending a decision as to what amount of the duties would be refunded.

VERA GELO.

The Girl Student on Trial for Killing Her Friend.

Paris, April 19.—Great interest is taken here in the trial of Vera Gelo, the Russian girl student, who, on January 19, tried to assassinate Prof. Emile Deschanel, the aged senator and father of the President of the Chamber of Deputies, by firing a revolver at him just as he concluded a lecture on French literature at the College of France. The interest in the case is heightened by the fact that Zeline, the Russian girl student friend of Vera Gelo, who intervened between the latter and Prof. Deschanel at the time, and received a bullet in her chest, died at the hospital after lingering some time in agony. Prof. Deschanel visited the wounded girl at the hospital and daily sent her bouquets of flowers. A strange feature of the case is Vera Gelo's silence as to the nature of the outrage she claims was inflicted on her at Geneva by a man she thought was Prof. Deschanel. She suffers from hysteria, and medical men believe she is the victim of hallucinations. The nervous twitchings of her face as she sat in the dock to-day revealed her anguish. A doctor who sat beside her administered ether. The prisoner burst out sobbing when the judge spoke of Zeline.

The trial of Vera Gelo resulted in her acquittal of the charge of attempting to kill Prof. Emile Deschanel, on January 19, and she was immediately liberated.

SALMON CANNERIES.

Request from Fishermen's Union for a Conference.

Vancouver, April 19.—(Special)—The canners have received a communication from the executive of the Fishermen's Union requesting an interview regarding the price of fish for the season. The canners have replied that as they have no executive organized, it would be impossible to grant this request. It has been ascertained that the canners will not appoint their executive officers until all the canneries have been re-rated for the season, which will be in about three weeks' time. It is announced that this season, which will be in about three joined the combine,; last year five canneries hung out during the entire season.

READY FOR LAUNCHING.

Sir Thomas Lipton Pleased With Appearance of His Yacht.

Glasgow, April 19.—All is now ready for the launching of Shamrock II., although this evening men are working at the yards of the Dennys under Watson's vigorous eye, giving the finishing touches to the craft. Sir Thos. Lipton, when asked what he thought of his new boat, replied: "I can only tell you that Mr. John Henderson, who built the Meteor, Thistle and Valkyrie, remarked to-day, after close inspection: 'She is the finest yacht ever built on this side of the Atlantic.' I can see nothing in the way of resistance; she is a marvel." This opinion is shared by other experts who have seen the Shamrock.

SOLDIERS HONORED.

Decorations of Some of the South African Fighters.

London, April 20.—Among the new Knight Commanders of the Bath are Rear Admiral Clark, Lord Methuen, Lt.-Gen. Chas. Tucker, Gen. Pole-Carew, Col. W. G. Knox, Brigadier General Hector Macdonald, General French, Major General Hillyard, General Ian Hamilton, General Chas. E. Knox and Brigadier General Brabant.

Among the Companions of the Bath are General Baden-Powell, Lt.-Colonel Broadwood, Lt.-Col. Kekewich and Col. Thos. Picher.

Among those appointed Knights of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George are Lt.-General Sir Francis Clery, Lt.-Gen. Rundle, Major-General Prettyman, Surgeon General Wilson and Lt.-Colonel Girouard.

Lt.-General Brackenbury and Clarke are appointed Knights of the Grand Cross of the Bath.

PRIMROSE DAY.

Beaconsfield's Memorial Day in London.

London, April 19.—For the first time since the death of the Earl of Beaconsfield, Primrose Day passed without a royal wreath being placed upon the tomb in Hughenden churchyard. The annual pilgrimage to the churchyard, however, showed no diminution, and the statue opposite Westminster Abbey was profusely decorated.

The clubs and leagues contributed numerous tokens, and a constant stream of people passed the monument.

Mr. Emmanuel Briolos the well known merchant of Hongkong, who has done a great deal in the cause of education, sent his usual tribute, a screen eight feet high and six feet wide, bearing the royal arms, the crown and the motto, "God protect our Emperor King and Queen Alexandra," in primroses and violets.