

Heading For Northwest

New York City, April 28.—The Wall Street Journal tonight publishes the following: "The Canadian project of a transcontinental line from Montreal to Vancouver has been current for some time past, and it is now being actively pursued."

Seek Entry Into the Canadian Wheatfield But Are Blocked.

It has transpired that in the fight between Mackenzie and Mann interests and the Grand Trunk railway, the latter was backed by the New York Central and the Grand Trunk Pacific paid the \$14,000,000 for the road, not because they were in need of it, but to block the Canadian Wheatfield scheme.

Transfer of Canada Atlantic to Grand Trunk Postpones Scheme.

A prominent Grand Trunk official, discussing the subject, says: "We were not afraid of Mackenzie and Mann; the latter, if they had bought the Canada Atlantic, would have the same connections with the New York Central as we have, and they would be in alliance with railway interests that we were afraid of. Their ally was the New York Central itself."

For Canadian Wheat Field

The New York Central had already acquired the Rutland railway, which passes through Swanton, which points the Canada Atlantic route. The situation there was this: The New York Central, with its Rutland connection, was at Swanton and Montreal, and if its points had succeeded, it would have controlled the Canada Atlantic and the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Have Not Given Up Plan

Though they were beaten in this effort by the Grand Trunk there is reason to believe that the New York Central and Mackenzie & Mann have not given up their plans for a direct connection between the Canadian Pacific and the New York Central. The New York Central has acquired the old Ottawa and New York road, which connects with the Rutland to New York, and the Grand Trunk to New York and Ottawa.

Graphic Stands to Its Guns.

Contents that Admiralty Statement is incorrect. London, April 29.—The Daily Graphic this morning contends that the Admiralty's statement regarding the impairment of the armament of British warships is mainly untrue. It is an admission of the general accuracy of the Daily Graphic's allegations.

ARE BRITISH GUNS UNFIT?

Admiralty Issues Statement Answering Charges. London, April 29.—The admiralty today issued an official statement regarding the charges made by the Daily Graphic that 15 British battleships were unfit for action, owing to the discovery that a number of the 12 inch guns were incapable of firing 30 caliber shells. The admiral says that one 12 inch 'mark 8' gun on board the Majestic had cracked at the muzzle, and that a second gun had a crack in the breech, but that they had fired the equivalent of 66 and 75 full charges respectively. These guns had been exchanged and repaired, and will shortly be re-tested.

BRITISH CRUISERS ON GUARD.

Patrolling Outside Singapore Watching for Russians. London, April 28.—Three British cruisers, according to the Telegraph's special report, are patrolling outside Singapore, watching the harbor, as thick weather renders the straits inimical to the roads. Weather conditions may, therefore, prevent the observation of Vice Admiral Nebogatov's movements. The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Tokio states that foggy weather prevented the Japanese Sea. The Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent reports that Vice Admiral Nebogatov's squadron was on Wednesday off Leonsof Bay in Hainan, and that it was in the process of observing the movements of the Russian warships. According to the correspondent at Hong Kong, the Japanese cruisers, under the command of Captain von Suederwaldt, were on a mission to the Philippines, and were expected to arrive at the Philippine coast on Monday. The correspondent at Manila states that the Japanese cruisers were expected to arrive at the Philippine coast on Monday.

AGAIN TALKING OF PEACE.

Expectation of Great Things to Follow Roosevelt's Return. Washington, April 28.—Expecting that Washington is destined to play an important part in the preliminary negotiations that will precede the cessation of hostilities between Russia and Japan, even though the American role may not be selected as the scene for the actual peace negotiations, Baron Sternberg, the German ambassador, and Mr. Jusserand, the French ambassador, will sail for their respective capitals, and will confer with their respective governments.

An Answer To William

King Edward's Visit to Paris One of Several Significant Demonstrations. Paris, April 28.—King Edward's visit to Paris at 9:30 this evening and was met by British ambassador Bertie, no French official being present in accordance with His Majesty's wishes. He was driven to the Hotel Bristol, the crowd at the station shouted "Long live Edward the King Edward!" and "Long live England!" for three days' stay inaugurates the first of a series of brilliant events covering the next few months, which through the aid of design promises to exert important influences in showing the world, and Europe in particular, France's strong position among the nations of Europe; these events occurring simultaneously with the French-German and British negotiations on the Moroccan question.

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A SMOULDERING VOLCANO.

Peasant Disturbances Spreading in Parts of Empire. Kishineff, April 28.—The peasant disturbances in the adjoining province of Polecia are spreading widely. The authorities are being openly defied, violence being threatened. Troops will be sent to disperse the crowds.

Gen. Linvitch Interviewed

Commander in Chief Talks of Retreat to Associated Press. Feeding Denounces Kurpatkin's Precipitate Retreat From Mukden. Expresses Regret too Much Harm Was Done Before He Took Charge. Gen. Linvitch granted an interview to the Associated Press at headquarters today, in the course of which he expressed himself highly satisfied with the present condition of the Russian army and its readiness to assume the offensive. He manifested emphatic regret for the retreat from Mukden. The new commander-in-chief is of the opinion that the loss to the army at that juncture was over estimated, and that the day was far from being lost when the retreat was ordered.

INCREASE NAVY THREE FOLD.

Philadelphia, April 29.—Rear Admiral Melville, in an address before the Geographical Society of Philadelphia tonight, advocated a threefold increase of the navy, at a cost of \$600,000,000.

RATTLER FANGS THE KEEPER.

Edward Rabe, Employee of Los Angeles Zoo, Killed. Los Angeles, Cal., April 29.—Head Keeper Edward Rabe of the Los Angeles Zoo, and one of the best known wild animal trainers on the Pacific coast, has been bitten in the face by a large rattlesnake at the zoo and is now in the City hospital, where he may not recover. Rabe entered the snake cage at the zoo and was bitten viciously in the face. He was immediately taken to the hospital, where, five minutes after Rabe was bitten, the attending physician administered an antidote and performed an operation, but the poison spread so rapidly that his face swelled to twice its normal size and the physicians fear that the effects may be fatal.

AIDING GREEN GOODS MEN.

Western Union Operator Charged With Novel Crookedness. New York, April 29.—Richard H. Carey, manager of the Harmon office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, was arrested by postal inspectors today and indicted on a charge of conspiracy in a novel and novel fashion, to use the United States revenue funds to counterfeit money fraud. It is alleged that Carey was concerned, with others in the sending out of counterfeit money. The circulars asked the recipient to make an appointment by wires. Carey is alleged to have received the replies and sold them to the "green goods" men and then notified the victim that the money had been sent. Carey was notified by mail how to meet the conspirator and get the alleged counterfeit money.

JAPANESE REFORM KOREA.

Country Has Undergone Wonderful Transformation. London, April 29.—The Times' Peking correspondent telegraphs from Seoul that that country is undergoing a wonderful transformation. "The reforms are being carried out," the correspondent says, "are an unmitigated blessing to the people and are causing a rapid improvement in the moral and physical condition of the nation."

The Week At Ottawa

In Spite of Fielding's Surpluses The Renewal Small Loans. Liberal Organizer's Indiscretion Causes Premier Some Annoyance. Difficulties of Replacing Imperial Garrisons Becoming Manifest.

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Terrific Tornado In Texas Toward Laredo and Vicinity Swept by Devastating Wind and Rain.

Report That One Hundred People Have Lost Their Lives. Laredo, Texas, via Bermuda, April 28.—Twenty-one persons were killed and scores injured in a terrific tornado which swept over Laredo and vicinity on the night of last night, crossing the Rio Grande.

CLEARING AWAY WRECKAGE

A trip through the town falls to show the extent of the damage. The property destroyed is estimated at \$1,000,000. The town is a complete wreck. The streets are covered with debris. The houses are reduced to ruins. The damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

BURSTS WITHOUT WARNING

Shortly after 7 o'clock this afternoon a dark, lowering cloud appeared in the southwest, soon thereafter, and with practically no warning, fell as a very heavy rain, accompanied intermittently by heavy hail. The wind began blowing at a hurricane velocity, creating havoc with houses, telegraph poles and trees and everything that came within its path.

FARMERS GAIN POINT

The board of railway commissioners has today announced its decision on the matter of the complaint of the Farmers' Association of Canada against the Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific and Quebec railways. The board has decided in favor of the farmers, and has ordered the railway companies to reduce the rates now charged on grain to the same basis as that of the other commodities.

PADEREWSKI STRAINS NECK.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., April 28.—Paderewski, the pianist, has cancelled his engagement for this night and left this afternoon for Boston. He is suffering from a severe attack of neuritis.

DISTRESS IN SPAIN.

Madrid, April 29.—Recent rains have relieved the drought to a small extent. The population of Sevilla, Cordova and Granada are clamoring for work or relief from the distress existing there.

LUMBERING TOWN BURNS.

Flames Sweep a Large Portion of Millford, Maine. Bangor, Me., April 28.—A fire that threatened to wipe out the great lumbering interests at Millford broke out this afternoon. Ten million feet of lumber is reported in flames. Fire communication with Millford was cut off soon after the fire started and further details are not obtainable.

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