

How the World Accounts For Conservative Revolt

Rank and File Clamoring for Spoils, But Lieut.-Governor Will Not Dismiss Without Documentary Evidence.

Toronto, Aug. 25.—The World in this morning's issue publishes the following: Conservatives all over the Province are asking why Liberal partisans and incompetents are retained in office, Members of the Whitney Government, its supporters in the Legislature and leading Conservatives in every constituency in Ontario are overwhelmed with inquiries and protests.

The feeling in the party has grown from impatient curiosity to pronounced resentment. And the cause of it all is the gentleman who sits in the lieutenant-governor's office. Lieutenant-Governor Clark has taken up a firm position against the dismissal of incompetent officials. He will sign no orders, official which is not accompanied by affidavits showing that the discharged official, while in office, was an active partisan.

ADDITIONAL CORPS OF FIRE-FIGHTERS

Could Be Engaged at a Small Cost—Alderman's Novel Scheme.

At the next meeting of the city council Ald. Matthews will propose a scheme for the betterment of the local fire brigades. The scheme includes the forming of auxiliary corps of ten men from among citizens suitable for the work. These men are to be paid, say \$5 a year as a retainer fee, so that the city can rely upon them at all times. If they are called to a fire they will be paid good wages, say \$3 per day.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR THE CHIEF; THROWN FROM BUGGY ON KING ST.

Fire Chief Clark today had a close call for his life—so close that those who saw the accident thought it was all over with him. At 1:45 an alarm came in from the Columbia Handle Company. The brigades responded promptly, the chief following in his buggy following a couple of the leading wagons at a furious gallop.

Collided With a Farmer's Rig While Responding to an Alarm.

On King street, between Wellington and Waterloo, a farmer was driving west. As the brigades raced by, they frightened the farmer's horses, and the driver appeared to lose his head. He first pulled the team to one side, giving the chief plenty of room to pass the hook and ladder wagon with his fast black horse. Then the farmer, for some unaccountable reason, backed his wagon directly in the road of the chief's horse.

There was no time to do anything. The black horse was traveling at a furious gallop over the uneven blocks, and the buggy struck the front wheel of the farmer's wagon a terrific blow. The collision threw the fire chief ten feet in the air, the cushion of the seat following him. He landed on his back, with the lines of his horse gripped tightly in his hands. He tumbled over and over, but still held on, and the frightened horse, with remarkable intelligence, stopped stock still. Panting, chief had his work cut out for him in rescuing the lumber.

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After that, the work of the firemen was to save the lumber. It practically had to be handled piece by piece. So successful were their efforts that in all probability the half-million feet of lumber will not shrink more than 10 per cent.

EIGHT WILL DIE

Mutineers of Russian Battleship Potemkin Sentenced To Be Shot.

Liban, Russia, Aug. 25.—The court-martial of 137 mutineers of the battleship Kniaz Potemkin has just been completed. Eight of the prisoners were sentenced to be shot, but it was recommended that this sentence be commuted to life imprisonment. Nineteen others were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment at hard labor.

SMUGGLED CIGARS

C. P. R. Seizes 3,800 Rough Aboard by Belgian Sailors. Montreal, Que., Aug. 25.—A novelty in the way of seizing smuggled goods has been inaugurated by the Canadian Pacific Line, which on board of its new steamer, the Belgian, seized 3,800 smuggled cigars. The company has suffered from customs seizure made on board of the boats running to London and Antwerp. The Belgian intercepted its crew smuggling in large lots of cigars and cigarettes, and has taken this means of stopping the practice. The men will be punished.

DID CURZON MISREPRESENT?

Lord Kitchener Says So, and Breach Between Pair Widens. Simla, British India, Aug. 25.—The publication of a strongly worded protest by Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief of the forces in India, against the alleged misrepresentation of his views by Lord Curzon to the Home Government and a detailed reply by the viceroy, maintaining the accuracy of his statements, has created a sensation and still further embittered the feeling between the two opposing factions.

FATAL HOTEL FIRE

Three Polish men Scores Escape in Their Night Clothes. Maranacook, Me., Aug. 25.—Three persons, two men and one woman, were burned or injured in a fire which destroyed the Hotel Maranacook in this town early today. Over four score guests are reported to have escaped in their night clothes, after they had been awakened by the hotel clerk, many of them leaping from the beds, and there had been loss of life was not known, until a search of the ruins revealed the charred bodies. There was apparently no means of escape from the hotel, and other means of identification were missing.

ROOSEVELT UNDER THE SEA

President Takes a Trip in the New U. S. Submarine. Oyster Bay, L. I., Aug. 25.—President Roosevelt and five others were made a descent in Lond Island Sound on board the submarine torpedo boat Plunger. He was aboard the vessel for three hours. The boat, which had little about was submerged for 50 minutes, and in that time was put through all of its maneuvers. There had not been the slightest indication up to 11 o'clock this morning that Emperor Nicholas would be in the neighborhood, but it is eventually made to be peace Japan also must change her attitude. The re-purchase of the northern half of Sakhalin Island was pointed the clear road to the only possible compromise, but it must be a purely commercial transaction, not a claim for indemnity in disguise. There is thought to be a possibility of a change. But if Japan would bend, if she would renounce formally her demand for "reimbursement" for the cost of the war, with the withdrawal of the price she sets upon the northern half of Sakhalin, and frankly make the purchase of the island on a commercial basis, Emperor Nicholas, having already acceded to the other conditions proposed, could refuse.

LET'S TAKE TO ANARCHY

Russia Has Serious Trouble With the Baltic Provinces. St. Petersburg, Aug. 25.—The police department has drawn up a report of the disturbances among the Letts in the Baltic provinces, which, according to the report, have assumed an anarchical character. Within four months in towns in the Provinces of Courland and Livonia, there have been four attempts on the lives of officials, four attacks on private persons, six attempts against the police, and two cases in which bombs were thrown. At Riga an attempt was made to set fire to a garage system, a cartridge factory. The report says that "in the Lutheran churches demonstrations were begun and repeated every Sunday in May and June," and that the agitators supplied the peasants with arms of which they obviously possessed an extensive supply.

UTILIZING GARBAGE

How Mr. Myers Would Work His Scheme in This City. Mr. Myers, of Saginaw, who is about to make formal application to the city for a franchise for a garbage system, called upon Mayor Campbell today and gave his worship a few of the particulars of the scheme he intends to put into force in London. Mr. Myers already has garbage systems in Saginaw and several other places. In London he is intending to charge citizens \$4 per annum for carrying away of all garbage and ashes. He will loan a can to each subscriber, charge \$1 extra for the can. Twice a week in summer and once a week in winter his wagons will call and remove the garbage. The full can will be taken away and an empty one will be left in its place.

Burned to Death

Erie, Pa., Aug. 25.—Captain Patrick MacMahon, of the yacht Mistic, was burned to death, and eighteen persons were almost suffocated in a fire, which started on the third floor of the Charles Beck block early today. Capt. MacMahon was prominent in the marine interests, and was recently distinguished by receiving a medal from Congress for rescuing a man who was drowning in the harbor.

PRESIDENT TALKS DIRECT TO CZAR

Is Making Strenuous Efforts to Prevent Rupture—To Adjourn Again.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 25, 2:24 p.m.—Mr. M. A. G. Hauer, the American ambassador, is holding an interview with Foreign Minister Lamsdorff. Berlin, Aug. 25.—The Associated Press today received the following communication from the foreign office: The foreign office empowers the Associated Press to publish the following reports over the opposition of the Emperor to the mediation of President Roosevelt are not. The Emperor regards the endeavors of the President with admiration and takes the greatest interest in the success of the labors for peace in whose beginnings the Emperor personally assisted.

KILLED HUSBAND; DOESN'T KNOW WHY

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Mrs. Carrie Honer, widow of A. Honer, the former proprietor of a small east side drygoods store, today walked into the William street station and told Capt. Regen that she had murdered her husband. Honer died yesterday after an illness of several weeks. The cause of death had been diagnosed as acute indigestion and heart disease. Mrs. Honer told the police today that she had given her husband a dose of carbolic acid. "I'm sorry I killed him," she said, "I don't know why I did it. I wish I was dead myself."

CHILD KILLED BY BINDER

Brantford, Man., Aug. 25.—Word has just been received of an accident that occurred at Hayfield at 7 o'clock last evening. Mr. Daniel McPhee, a farmer who lives just opposite the Hayfield postoffice, was cutting wheat in a field near his house, when a number of children, among them his own, entered the field. Mr. McPhee ordered them away, and they apparently obeyed, as he noticed them some distance away, near the house, a few minutes later. As he was passing with his binder at a point near his house, he was startled by a cry that came from the wheat close by. A hurried investigation showed his 3-year-old son Jack, who was in a less dangerous direction. The frightened father hurriedly moved for medical aid, but the little fellow was within an hour of the time of the accident. The boy had wandered away from his companions and was completely hidden by the tall grain, which had reached an unusually heavy growth.

FIRST G. T. P. SOD TURNED

Work on the Great Transcontinental Line Has Commenced. Winnipeg, Aug. 25.—The first sod on the G. T. P. Transcontinental Railway was turned yesterday by the Macdonald, McMillen Company at a point six miles north of Sidney. The Macdonald, McMillen Company, who have the contract for the first 275 miles west of Portage la Prairie, will have 200 teams at work today, and 1,000 teams within a month.

Appeal Re Interswitching

The Grand Trunk Railway Company has served notice on the city of London that it intends to appeal from the decision of the railway commission in regard to the interswitching rates fixed by the commission some time ago for the interchange of cars in London. The company declares the rates to be unfair, and intends, if necessary, to carry the matter to the supreme court, rather than submit to the ruling. Consequently it asks that the order be varied, or else it wants the permission of the commission to appeal to the supreme court.

LOCAL LACROSSE TEAM

Will Try Conclusions With Calumet Club at Chicago. Mr. Frank Babcock is taking the London lacrosse team to Chicago to play on Saturday and Monday, Sept. 2 and 4, with the Calumet team of that city. The Windy City bunch are going on a merry clip, and it will hurry our boys to beat them. A good crowd of Londoners are going to make the trip. The line-up will be given later on. Mr. Babcock can always turn out a winner, so the Calumets will know they have been in a game next week.

DEVoured BY LIONS

Terrific Escapery in a Den at Blackpool, England. London, Aug. 25.—A man named Livesey was killed and partly eaten by lions at Blackpool during the night. The Blackpool Tower Company have some slaughter-houses in the Lytham road, which they use as an infirmary for the animals in their menageries, and for the use of their reserve stock. It was here that the unfortunate man's body was discovered. In one of the slaughter-houses were a lion and two tigers, and a butcher employed by the Tower Company was startled when he opened the gate early yesterday morning to find that the two lions were roaring about the yard. The lion, however, was inside the cage. The man promptly seized a broom and drove the lionesses into the den and secured them. Then, to his horror, he saw Livesey's body lying on the floor of the den. How the man came to be there remains a mystery. He was engaged to help the butcher, but had no business in the den.

Southern Church Favors Lynching

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 25.—The burning at the stake of Tom Williams, a negro, for attacking a white woman, was commended at the state convention of negro Baptists here yesterday. Rev. Mr. Jackson, of Dallas, declared that if any action was taken by the convention in reference to the lynching, a resolution should be passed commending the whites. Other pastors asserted the negroes aided the whites in the capture of Williams. Every law-abiding negro was said to be in favor of lynch law in cases of the kind. The convention refused to pass resolutions denouncing the burning.

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Like a flash in a powder mill, the London Box Manufacturing and Lumber Company's plant, situated on Bathurst street, east of Clarence, was reduced to ruins last night. The whole plant is destroyed. Thousands of feet of lumber were burned. Three firemen—Dan McDonald, Bob Matthews and Alfred Davis—were injured by flying bricks when the west wall fell. Cecil Haynes, of Wellington street, a volunteer, was also hurt. The fire was first noticed by passers-by. It was a reflection first, and then in a second it seemed as if the roof were lifted on a sea of flame. One man rushed to box 63 and turned in an alarm. Two telephone calls were also sent to the central station. The Mill Doomed. Chief Clark and his men were soon on the job, but from the time the first man arrived it was seen that all hope of saving the mill was gone. The fire greedily swallowed the streams of water, and never lost its appetite. The firemen directed their attention to the lumber piles that surrounded the building.

Fortunate Change of Wind

Early in the progress of the fire it looked as if a serious conflagration might ensue. A breeze was blowing from the south, and the frame building on the north side of the track were smoking seriously, when the wind shifted to the north, and the sparks fell in a less dangerous direction. Freight cars were standing on the siding and became ignited. They were removed to another siding outside the danger zone. Not half an hour after the beginning of the fire the front wall began to totter. The firemen were warned, and kept out of the line of danger. A police cordon drove the people to a safe distance from the fire, and when the wall fell no damage was done, save the smashing of telephone wires. Bunches of wire were scattered all over the road. The building on the north side of the track was being bent, and the firemen were drawing in steadily. The many streams were beginning to be effective now, but the intense heat started the lumber piles around, and the

SOLEMN SERVICE BOYCOTT TIES UP FLOUR EXPORTS

Bishop of Huron Officiated at Funeral of William Elliot This Afternoon. Bishop of Huron officiated at the funeral of William Elliot this afternoon. A large number of friends of the family gathered to pay their last respects to the honored dead at the family residence, 400 Bloor street. The pall-bearers were chosen from among the deceased gentleman's intimate friends in the legal profession and in private life. Many beautiful floral offerings were laid upon the casket, and perhaps the most touching of them was a wreath of whole sheaf from the Middlesex Bar Association. The members of the association attended in a body. Services were conducted in the house at 2:30 o'clock. At 3 o'clock the cortege proceeded to the Memorial Church, and there in presence of the Bishop of