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Nassau, N. H., Nov. 12.—The tug Potomac, from Santiago de Cuba, which has been visiting the stranded cruiser Maria Teresa at this island...

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VOL. 17. EUROPEAN WAR PREDICTED

A French Newspaper Expresses the Opinion That a Mighty Conflict is Imminent Among the Great Powers.

The Dispute Over the Possession of the Philippines is Likely to Result in a Great Conflagration.

Paris, Nov. 12.—The Gaulois this morning, after referring to the Philippine question as presenting serious complications, says:

"The thing to be feared is no longer a renewal of the contest between America and Spain, owing to the nature of negotiations, but a general European conflict. The Fashoda incident is only the prelude to a big drama which is soon to occupy the theatre of inter-European politics...

Continuing, the Gaulois asserts that Great Britain is trying to bring about an offensive and defensive alliance with the United States, of which alliance, according to the Gaulois, Great Britain alone would reap the benefit.

"The Gaulois' own programme is as follows: She will induce the United States to refuse any concession to Spain and to refuse similar concessions to the Philippine islands to Russia and Germany. A conflict breaks out, England, as America's ally, intervenes, and finally a European war breaks out."

Another Postponement Likely. Paris, Nov. 12.—It is now believed that the next meeting of the peace commission may be postponed until Tuesday next, though no definite decision has been arrived at on the subject.

Washington, Nov. 12.—A special cabinet meeting was held to-day to consider a despatch received from Judge Day, at Paris, in which he stated that the Spanish commissioners had asked for additional time to prepare their reply to the proposition submitted by the United States...

HOT TIME IN MONTREAL.

The Herald Stirring Up a Fuss-Over Civil Affairs. Montreal, Nov. 12.—Chief of Police Hughes has issued a warrant for the arrest of Brierly, managing director of the Herald...

The Herald is evidently not at all frightened, as it makes light of the chief of Police's action. Brierly, says the Herald, proceeds with his suit as if it were as good a way as any, perhaps, to get into the administration of his department...

THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

Montreal, Nov. 12.—The Bank of Montreal's half yearly statement, just issued, shows that the profits for the half year ending October 31st, after deducting the charge of management and making full provisions for bad and doubtful debts, were \$92,248, which is a record for the bank's history.

THE COQUITLAM CASE.

Vancouver, Nov. 12.—James Hamilton Lewis, the defeated Democratic candidate for governor of Washington state, is in the city. He is here in connection with the case of the Union Trustship Company, in the United States government for \$40,000 damages for alleged illegal seizure of the Coquitlam at Juneau some years ago.

FIRE AT WELLINGTON.

Works at No. 5 Shaft Head Destroyed on Thursday Evening.

Nanaimo, Nov. 12.—At 4 o'clock on Thursday evening fire was discovered at No. 5 shaft, Wellington colliery pit-head. William Chadwick, engineer in charge, first noticed the fire in the roof of the engine room, and finding it was beyond his power to check, at once gave the alarm.

After the buildings had been burned down, the boilers were "blown off" to prevent the possibility of exploding, which caused considerable excitement among those who did not know that the roar of steam was a safety precaution, and fearing that the boilers were about to explode, there was a pell-mell rush from the scene.

Andrew Bryden, superintendent of the Wellington collieries, and David Wilson, foreman of No. 3 shaft, were lowered down into the mine while the fire was raging overhead. They visited every working station of the mine, and notified the 150 men who were working below, unconscious of the disaster which had befallen the hoisting gear.

The origin of the fire is said to have been an overheated pipe in connection with the air-compressor. No. 5 was the best and largest producer of the general Wellington mines, and the loss of this output at this busy season of the season, as well as the considerable loss to the company, who have several steam and sailing vessels at Departure Bay awaiting cargoes of Wellington coal.

Fortunately the pit-head was saved by heroic efforts of the bucket brigade, which succeeded in preventing the flames from reaching the pit-head and hoisting frame.

The fan at No. 5 was set in operation this morning, so as to furnish air for the men working in No. 1 shaft, and also for the 45 miles run in No. 5 shaft. Steam for the fan is obtained from a locomotive of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, which has been placed temporarily in position to supply the motive power operating the fan and air-compressor are totally ruined.

AN OLD LADY SUICIDES.

Mrs. Geo. Smith, of Montreal, Chooses Death to Escape Insomnia. Montreal, Nov. 12.—Mrs. Geo. Smith, a widow, committed suicide yesterday morning by hanging herself. The only known reason for her act is that for several weeks past she has been unable to sleep, and this seemed to hold out her mind. Mrs. Smith lived in the house of her son, Chas. H. Martin, at 2-21 St. Catherine street, for seven or eight years. She always enjoyed good health.

She died at her room on Monday morning, she was missed from her room, and Mr. Martin looked around the house for her. Going out on the gallery at the back of the house, in the light of the moon, he saw her hanging in the gallery and sent for a doctor. She had been dead only a few minutes. Deceased was about 70 years of age.

FAREWELL TO ABERDEEN.

Quebec, Nov. 12.—Lord Aberdeen said farewell to the people of Quebec last night. He said on the Labrador, the ship of the Scotians, bringing Lord Minto, will be here at 2.30 p. m. to-day.

The attendance at the city hall to witness the presentation of the farewell address was rather less than expected. The civic address was read by Mayor Parent. It was a tribute to the high personal qualities of the viceregal couple, and it added: "From our sunlit fields, from our thriving cities, two towns, constantly ascend on all sides congratulations of a people contented with their lot, as loyal to England, and confidently and steadily moving onward and upwards in the achievement of their destinies."

Repeating, Lord Aberdeen said it was the climax of all the farewells he received. He paid a tribute to the loyalty of the French race, adding that whatever might be said of them, their patriotism was appreciated and understood by the sovereign.

Addresses were presented by the St. Andrew's Society, Irish organizations and Women's Council. To the last Lady Aberdeen replied in French. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Mr. Tarte were present.

MINERS' STRIKE ENDED.

Carlinville, Ill., Nov. 12.—The differences between the Chicago-Virgin Colliery Company at Viridan and Auburn and the striking miners are settled, and the shafts will soon be in operation. The company agreed to pay the scale of 40 cents per ton, but did not want to tear down the stocks.

THE PRESIDENT'S SYMPATHY.

Kokomo, Ind., Nov. 12.—Mrs. James Jones has received a letter from President McKinley. Her husband was the artilleryman killed by the premature discharge of a carriage in saluting the presidential train which passed through here three weeks ago. The president expressed deep sympathy for the bereaved family and sent a check for \$25.

RUSSIA IN THE FAR EAST

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador at Washington, Explains the Position and Intentions of His Country.

Washington, Nov. 12.—The Russian ambassador, Count Cassini, who is just back from an extended vacation at the seashore and mountains, was seen today at the Russian embassy, where he talked in a most interesting manner on international questions, particularly in regard to the reported strained relations between Russia and Great Britain regarding out of control in China, and the attitude of the great powers of Europe during the recent Spanish-American war.

It had been understood that Count Cassini was about to be transferred to London, as his long residence in China, where he represented Russia when Port Arthur was captured, would make his services of special value at this time. The ambassador says, however, that Baron de Stael will continue as ambassador in London, and expressed satisfaction that this will permit him to remain at Washington.

When Count Cassini was asked concerning recent reports that Russia had seized the important Chinese treaty port of Newchwang, followed by great activity in British naval yards, with the prospect of an open rupture between Russia and Great Britain, he said too much credence was given these war rumors, and that present conditions gave assurance of continued friendly relations between Russia and Great Britain.

There had been no confirmation, he said, of the report that Russia had occupied Newchwang, and he proceeded to point out that such occupation by Russia was quite unnecessary, as she had already acquired the most advantageous and strategic military posts in the vicinity of that port, and the commercial port at Talien Wan.

Port Arthur is not only valuable as a naval and military base, but would serve as a great base for the proposed trans-Siberian railway when the project was carried through. It was being pushed forward rapidly, and the ambassador says that the railway will be completed in one year, and will be in operation in two years.

There would be no opportunity to meet the Emperor and Empress Dowager, who recently assumed the direction of affairs. He was not impressed with the ability of the Emperor, who was weak physically, or his direction of public affairs. Owing to the diplomatic rules, the Empress Dowager was never seen by the ambassador.

Count Cassini regards as greatly to the interest of China, the fact that a new treaty favorable to Russia, the ambassador thinks quite probable, as he says it is not at all surprising that there should be a rivalry between the two countries having a common border of some 7,000 miles.

THE POPE AND WILLIAM.

London, Nov. 10.—The Central News Rome despatch says the Pope has telegraphed to the Czar confirming the right of France as the protector of the Catholics in the Balkans.

His Holiness adds, however, that he would very much regret to be responsible for any painful events which might compromise the fact which the Czar is the principal exponent.

Damasus, Nov. 10.—At a banquet given in his honor last evening, Emperor William, in a highly complimentary manner to Russia, the ambassador thinks quite probable, as he says it is not at all surprising that there should be a rivalry between the two countries having a common border of some 7,000 miles.

SHIPBUILDING IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Montreal, Nov. 10.—A Star cable from London says—"British capital for iron shipbuilding in Nova Scotia will soon be forthcoming. This development is due to the action of a prominent Canadian who has been promoting the scheme in London for some time past. A plant, it is learned, will be established at Cape Breton, where co-operation with the Dominion Coal Co. will be assured."

"Iron ore is found in great quantities on the south coast of Cape Breton. This, it is said, will be treated at a smelter to be erected at Louisbourg, C. B. The erection of a shipbuilding plant will follow the development of the iron works. Aberdeen replies in French, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Mr. Tarte were present."

BERESFORD WATCHING RUSSIA.

London, Nov. 10.—A despatch to the Times from Newchwang says that Lord Beresford, who is visiting China in the interests of the British associated chambers of commerce, is highly impressed by the importance of Newchwang and the necessity for maintaining the open door of this important port.

There is no Russian trade with Newchwang, but that there is great Russian railway building activity. He is struck by the fact of the military domination, armed Cossacks being in a treaty port and Cossacks patrolling the railroad and guarding the military posts along the line through Manchuria.

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OUTLOOK IN EUROPE.

Discussing Lord Salisbury's Speech—Emperor William's Tour.

London, Nov. 12.—Lord Salisbury's speech at the Guildhall banquet last night, which has been discussed in the press, has attracted much attention.

The Daily Chronicle says: "Emperor William's visit to Spain is probably connected with Germany's ambition to secure the Canaries as a naval base, and not get a coaling station in the Philippines, but there is not the remotest chance of that. The American government will not be further disturbed by the British and American eagles will be on the same side as the best guarantee of peace."

The Standard, which expresses some suspicion as to the Kaiser's intentions, says: "Possibly Spain is mad enough to try to renew the war, but European peace will not be further disturbed by the British and American eagles will be on the same side as the best guarantee of peace."

Madrid, Nov. 11.—The Duke Almodovar de Rio, minister of foreign affairs, received a telegram this evening, announcing that Emperor William would arrive at Carthagena on November 19. The authorities were apparently greatly surprised when they heard of the visit, and it is probable that they had no previous notice of it.

The whole Spanish press cherishes the hope that Germany will initiate some sort of European intervention. Official circles pretend to be amazed that such an idea should take hold of the public mind, but they do not deny that the Kaiser's visit will have no official character.

It is understood that as a matter of courtesy the foreign agent will send an autograph letter inviting the Emperor and Empress to visit Madrid. In the meantime, the Emperor and Empress will be shown special attention.

Berlin, Nov. 11.—The foreign office dispatches of the various deductions drawn from the Emperor's proposed call at the port of Cadiz by saying that His Majesty would be accompanied by the German Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, and thus be on German soil.

A BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED AT THE NEXT SESSION—Yale-Cariboo Likely To Be Sub-divided.

Capt. John Healey at the Capital on Yukon Affairs—Lord Minto to Arrive at Midnight.

Ottawa, Nov. 12.—(Special)—A redistribution bill will be introduced next session. It will be framed on county lines as far as possible. County lines will be adhered to in fixing the constituencies. Will the senate let the bill go through it is what politicians are asking. There is nothing definite has been decided upon as to increased membership, there is no doubt that additional representation will be given to British Columbia, Yale and Cariboo to have two members at least.

Capt. John J. Healey, vice-president of the North American Transportation Company, is in the city to-day on government business. Healey's company did a great business last year, and it is said to have taken about \$3,000,000 in this way out of the Yukon during the season. Mr. Healey says that officials in the Yukon are all right, but their salaries are too small. Mr. Fairweather, the ex-colonial commissioner, was one of the worst abused men and one who was thoroughly honest.

Lord Minto will arrive here at midnight and will be received by a guard of honor at the Dominion Hotel. Mr. Macdonnell, of Vancouver, gives notice of application to parliament for a charter to build a railway from Dawson City to Hunker Creek, along the Indian river to the Yukon, and thence back to Dawson, with branches up Bonanza and Eldorado to Dominion creek for the year ending September 30, 1897, has been issued. During the period dealt with the number of charges reported was 8,027, against 7,295 the previous year. Convictions were 5,721, against 5,204. The figures show a decrease in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and an increase in all the other provinces. Of the convictions 6.3 per cent. were females.

FROM NEW ZEALAND.

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A VERY HAPPY COUNCIL.

The Mayor and Aldermen Find Themselves With a Surplus of Over Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars.

The Water Works To Be Completed—School Troubles Ended—Fort Street Paved—Rock Bay Bridge.

An important special meeting of the city council was held last evening in the committee room of the city hall, at which his worship the mayor presided, there being present the full board of aldermen, with the exception of Mr. McEwen, who was absent from business. City Engineer Wilmot, Water Commissioner Raymer and City Clerk Wellington J. Dowler were also present.

In opening the proceedings the mayor said he had one of the most pleasant duties that had fallen to his lot for some time to perform, and that was to announce to the aldermen that as a consequence of the way in which the taxes had come in, and the careful attention which had been given to the water works, there was a surplus of considerably over \$30,000 to be dealt with. This, after paying salaries and all expenses connected with the establishment of the corporation. Of course a portion of the amount was based on an estimate of the amount to be received from the tax sale, and during the remaining portion of the year, and he therefore suggested that it would be well to make appropriations for the water works, and to leave a margin for contingencies. He laid before the board the accounts of the water works, and in legal expenses, the last named being due to the fact that the bridge-suits had not gone to the Privy Council, as he had intended to do.

The items suggested by his worship were taken up seriatim, the first being that of \$15,000 for interest, which was approved without discussion. Then came \$3,500 for the Fort street paving, which the mayor thought it would be well to have done, and this was also approved. The next item was \$2,500 for the end of the year issue of the debentures of the property owners' portion, thus ensuring the work being done before the end of the year. This was approved. Ald. Phillips asked if all the people interested were agreeable. It was informed that a by-law had been passed and that the council would have to do the work.

His worship proposed appropriating \$15,000 for the completion of the water works, a by-law for that object having been defeated. He thought the citizens would welcome the completion of that work, and he suggested that the council meet with some opposition and considerable discussion. Ald. Phillips thought the city engineer had estimated the cost of the water works at \$30,000, but \$2,500, but was informed that if he knocked off the \$2,000 he would be nearer the mark. Fifty dollars seemed to be a reasonable sum for the work, and he again brought forward the suggestion to turn the water into the reservoir a few days before anything was done. Then the idea of a roof, at a cost of \$3,000, was disapproved by several of the aldermen, and Ald. Phillips moved that the aldermen should not vote on that portion being cleaned at a time. Ultimately it was decided to appropriate \$12,000 for the work, leaving off the roof.

For a water pipe on Pandora street, where there is now only a 2-inch and a 3-inch pipe, the aldermen voted to lay a 4-inch pipe, and then came the Rock Bay bridge proposition. His worship suggested \$3,500 for that purpose. Ald. Phillips suggested \$2,000 for repairing the present structure; Ald. Humphrey thought \$4,000 was none too much, but finally \$3,500 was set on foot.

For general streets, sidewalks and bridges, in addition to the ordinary monthly appropriations, \$3,000 was voted. Ald. Williams strongly advocated the setting aside of \$5,000 for a new fire engine, and a long discussion took place on the suggestion of a new engine, involving the reduction of other appropriations, were made but no agreement was reached. The mayor proposed that the amount in the appropriations. It was finally decided to let the matter stand over until later in the year.

The Voissische Zeitung and the Berliner Post also refer to Lord Salisbury's American allusions and reach the conclusion that his speech "gives little hope of prolonged peace."

"It needs a strongly perverted ingenuity to see a slight to America in a view of this kind, enunciated by the statesman who directed English policy throughout the Hispano-American war, and the Anglo-American rapprochement it produced. Germany criticizes evidently dislike the prospect Lord Salisbury suggested."

The Daily Mail, which deprecates Emperor William's visit to Spain as "most ill-adviced and unopportune," says in its first article of our national policy is a close friendship with the United States, and it would be better for Germany to act in harmony with Great Britain than to try to irritate America."

The Standard in its editorial approves the suggestion of any intention to sound a note of warning in alluding to America's entry into old world politics, and welcomes the co-operation of the United States with England. He says that the vast domains of China, should they become derelict, from becoming the preserve of any single European power."

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