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THE NEWS IS OMINOUS British, and is disposed to support frame and the state of the Egyptian Troops for Fashods. London, Nov. 1.—The Cairo corres condent of the Daily Mail says an Egyp ian battalion has been despatched to

Pekin, Nov. 1.—Baron Von Heyking he German Minister to China, has pro

ited States Wants the Entire Philip

The French-British War Scare Has Been Revived.

A REQUEST TO NEWSPAPERS

The New French Cabinet Comple sel for the Family-A German Proposal About China -The

Philippines to Be Taken by the U. S. London, Nov. 1.—The Daily Mail this morning publishes no news regarding England's war preparations, explaining that silence is due to a letter from the War Office, asking it not to publish "anything which might be useful to a

"anything which might be useful to a possible enemy."
"We intend to ascertain to-day," said the Daily Mail, "from the War Office and the Admiralty what kind of news it would be permissi to to publish."
The Daily Mail mfrms the reports of unexampled activity at the French dockyards, notably as Toulon, where the coast for's have been experimenting with melinite shells against an old gunboas.

Another Significant Order.

London, Nov. 1.—Most of the papers are full of alloged war preparations, despite the undoubted fact that the authorities are doing their best to prevent publication, and even denying statements that have already appeared. Yesterday a sudden order was received at Dover for an experimental mobilization of the defence force. All the heights and forces Paris, Nov. 1.—At the joint meeting of the Spanish-American Peace Occassission, the American Commissioners presented a written expression of the purpose of the United States to take the entire group of Philippine Islands, and to assume such proportion of the Philippine debt as has been spent for the basefit of the islands or their inhabitants in public works improvement and permanent beterments. Its was also set forth that the United States would not assume any part of the Philippine debt which had been incurred by Spain for the furtherance of military or naval operations to quell the insurrection of the natives.

The session was eventually adjourned force. All the heights and fer

The British Channel squadron has cast anchor off Gibraltar.
The advices from Paris in the special despatches this morning add little to what was aheady known regarding the situation at Fashoda. It is betieved that Capt. Baratier is taking only verbal in Structions for Major Marchand.
The idea prevails at the French capital that Count Muravieff, the Russian Foreign Minister, while there on his recent vist promised Russian support in reopening the whole Egyptian question, and that Major Marchand will be instructed to fall back and maintain his occupation of all Bahr El-Ghazal posts. What the Spaniards Say.

Parly, Nov. 1.—After the conference dissolved the Spaniah Commissioners expressed the opinion that the American demands would create in Spain, as they had upon her commissioners, an exceedingly grave Lapression. Were the Spanish Commissioners pushed to a final determination last night, they would reject the American demands, but the changing tops one of the Spanish press recontly

THAT GLOOMY FEELING Was Caused by the Aggressive Ton

Some French Papers.

London, Nov. 1.—There was an unexpected gloomy feeling yesterday on the Stock Exchange and the Paris Bourse, both these markets being influenced, it is inferred, from the aggressive tone of some of the French papers. Besides this, something extraordinary seems to have happened, and it looks as if a crisis is approaching. The British navgi preparations are certainly being pushed with great activity. The British emergency squadron is gathering at Devonport with all possible speed. Seven battleships and one cruiser have been thus far designated to join this squadron. Officers and sallors have been nurriedly recalled from leave shave been hursiedly recalled from leaves at Portsmouth are taking their full crews on board, and other wailike preparations are being made.

British War Freparations.

A number of signalmen now on duty

British War Freparations.

A number of signalmen now on duty with the British channel squadron, which arrived at Gibrgitar yestorday, have been ordered home for service, it is presumed, on board the auxiliary cruisers if the latter are required for active service.

A sensation has been caused by the arrest of a supposed Russian spy at a fortnear Harwich. The man was already under surveillance and wont to a redoubt, where he tried to obtian some information from a sentry regarding the fortifications. He was promptly arrested and inquiries are being made regarding his

Volunteers to Mebilize It was also asserted yesterday that the for immediate mobilizations asserted that the different and it was asserted that the different artillery corps have been informed as to the forts on the southern and eastern coasts to which they have been allotted. The Pall Mail Gastte in the afternoon said: "England has been and even now is so near war that the Government has carried its preparations to the farthest limit of the preparatory stage. It has been arranged to call out the reserves and militia, and to mobilize the volunteers simultaneously, and to form large camps at various important railroad junctions, where rolling stock and locomotives will be concentrated."

of It Seen by Counsel for the Dreyfus Family. Paris, Nov. 1 — The oriminal se with a supplementary inquiry into the Dreyfus case, and counsellors the Dreyfus the Dreyfus case, and counsel for the Dreyfus family went to the Ministry of War for the purpose of studying the secret documents in the case. M. Lookroy, who is still acting as Minister of War pending the installation of his successor, M. De Freycinet, raised difficulties about deliving the documents, but allowed counsel to inspect certain of them.

A Peculiar Combination London, Nov. 1.—The Paris correspondent of the Times, dilating upon the fact that the Dreyfus affair occurred under M. Dupuy's former Premiership, and when President Faure was Minister and when Frentents Faure was under Marine, says:

"It is disquieting for the revisionists, that M. Faure now confers the Premierable upon M. Dupuy, as these two are called upon to screen their former colleague, General Mercier."

BRITAIN'S SUPERIOR FORCE

Paris, Nov. 1.—The Eclair yesterday said it learned on reliable authority that the Fashoda question will be settled favorably to Great Brisain by the recall of Major Marchand. France, the paper E. A. PIERCE, Delta district, which she does not consider as continuing, the Eclair remarked: "M.

Delcasse, however, has now decided to raise the whole Egyptian question, which should have been done from the first and thus avoided the hundlisation of yielding to the British ultimatum. When the just received a full line of Spring and Winter lbs—Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Lilies, etc. at ses of

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thus avoided the hunilitatic. of yielding to the British ultimatum. When the question is thus enlarged, France will not be alone in its discussion with the ses of

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MR. DOUGLAS' DÉNIAL

He Gives Emphatic Evidence in

EAST NORTHUMBERLAND TRIAL. JOINT OCCUPATION PROPOSED.

> ight Macdonald Jailed Until He Sobers Up and Can Tell a Straight Story-His Brother's Evidence Given in a Halting Manner -Inquiry Into the Personal Charge.

the German Minister to China, has proposed to the representatives of the powers at Pekin a joint occupation of the rall-way from Shan Hai Kwan, Province of Pe Chi Li, to Pekin, thus securing communication with the coast, unless the Chinese Government promptly withdraws its troops to a safe distance from the line. The Empress Dowager, it is reported, has ordered the Kangeu troops to Pekis to serve as a protection against a possible movement on the part of General Yuan Shik Kai, whom she believes is using the foreign drilled force under his command, in the neighborhood of Tien Tsin, in collusion with the foreign envoys. Golborne, Ont., Nov. 1.—At the Kast Northumberland election trial yesterday morning two charges were taken up for consideration. The first was that Frederick Macdonald, who lives near Colborne, had been paid \$5 on the night before the election to vote for Mr. J. H. Douglas. The money, it was charged, had been paid by Captain Brown, who, the petitioner's counsel claim, was an agent of the candidate. Macdonald swore that the money had been slipped into his pockets by Captain Brown. He knew this was so, because Brown had told bim some days before that the money would be put in his pocket.

some days before that the body works be put in his pocket.

The witness' evidence was not very satisfactory. At first he was unable to remember any of the conversation which he claimed he had held with Captain Brown, but finally he recalled some of

In cross-examination, too, he altered not added to this.

Dwight Macdonald was called to testify in another paricular in which it was ontended he was paid for his vote. He ras under the influence of liquor, how-

A Personal Charge.

A personal charge against the member was next taken up. The contention of the petition is that the day prior to the election Mr. Douglas called at the house of P.C. Breckenridge and obtained his vote and the vote of his son by intimidation. Brookenridge is a mill-owner, and was indebted to Mr. Douglas to the amount of \$100, which was secured by mortgage on his house. There was a mortgage of \$450, too, on the mill, held by an estate of which Mr. Douglas is the administrator. The contention of the petition is that if these men did not vote for. Mr. Duglas he would slut down on them generally and close their business. The session was eventually adjourned until Friday in order to give the Spaniards time to prepare a reply. The session yesterday lasted a little over an hour.

the American demands, but the changing tone of the Spanish prees recontly urges the consummation of a treaty of peace, however rigorous, the argument being that, although the Spaniards bow to the American demands, the commissioners do not acknowledge the justice or admit the legality of them. Madrid, Nov. 1.—The news that the Spanish Peace Commissioners at Paris had referred to the Government a formal demand of the American Commissioners for the absolute cession can be compared to the critical philippine group has caused the greatest surprise in Madrid. The strongest feeling prevails that the Government should protest energotically against what is regarded as a violation of the spirit of the protocol. Madrid, Nov. 1 .- The news the

London, Nov. 1.—The Times editorially this morning expresses its final satisfac-tion at the decision of the United States Commissioners to take the Philippines. Commissioners to take the Panippines. It says:

"The arrangement is undoubtedly the best that could be made, both for the inhabitants and for all interested in the trade and progress of the far East. Upon this point, as upon others, Spain has no choice but to yield, since her warmest partisans no longer maintain that she has either the means or the wish to renew

the war.

"The same irresistible logic of facts controls the question of the Cuban debt.
The United States can dictate their own The United States can dictate their own herms. At the same time, we are bound to draw attention to the serious consequences of the policy upon which the American delegates have insisted."

The editorial then proceeds to back up the recent contention of its Paris correspondent, who argued that Spain could only meet the Cuban debt by sacrificing her foreign bondholders, "who by a ily meet the Cuban debt by sacringing for foreign bondholders, "who by a range anomaly would thus have to pay the independence of Cuba."

NEW FRENCH CABINET.

I. De Freycinet in the Office of Min of War. Paris, Nov. 1.—The new Cabinet instituted as follows:

M. Dupuy, Premier and Minister of Interior

ne Interior.

M. Lebret, Minister of Justice.

M. De Freyoinst, Minister of War.

M. Lockroy, Minister of Marine.

M. Deleasse, Minister of Foreign A M. Peytral, Minister of Finance. M. Leygues, Minister of Public Inc.

 M. Delonole, Minister of Commerce.
 M. Guillain, Minister of the Colonies.
 M. Viger, Minister of Agriculture.
 M. Krantz, Minister of Public Works. Trying Time for Germany. ustrial and commercial speculations, nay have to be paid back. This will put

Japanese Cabinet Resigned.
Yokohama, Nov. 1.—The whole Cabinet has resigned, the Ministers being unably to agree upon the question of filling the portfolio of education. Thus, the first attempt at party government in Inst attempt at party government Japan has proved a failure. It is probathat the next Cabinet will be a coalitiof Liberals and clan leaders.

out the end of the year will be a

Engineer Bothwell Died.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—The pitch-in that occurred on the Grand Trunk on Sunday evening at Paris has resulted in the death of Engineer Thomas Bothwell. Bothwell's train was made up and ready to start out for Buffalo, with a long string of freight cars, heavily laden. While standing on the diamond track in the yards, another freight train crashed into his rear ears, and Bothwell was thrown underneath the wheels and terribly mangled. He was removed in an anneonscious condition to the John H. Stratford Hospital at Brantford. It was expected that he would recover, but, after having his left leg amputated, he only railied for a short while and passed away shortly before midnight. Bothwell was a married man and leaves a widow and family, who reside at Point Edward. Mr. W. P. Kennedy of Thamesville, a shipper, on board the train, was also badly out about the face and hands, and several ears of live stock were demolished.

the Personal Case.

was under the influence of liquor, how-yer, and was sent down by the judged until he should sober up.

las he would slut down on them generally and close this business.

The witnesses were Brockenridge and his son, who claimed that they considered that while no threats were actually made, Mr. Douglas' remark that if they did not vote for him they would no longer be friends, was an intimation to then that he would take advantage of his position to bother them financially.

Mr. Douglas Vastement.

Mr. John H. Douglas was called by the counsel for the respondent, and gave his version of the conversation. He stated that he had heard that Mr. Breckenridge Waz geling to vote against him, although he had virtually promised six months previously to vote for him. He was surprised and went around to his house to see him. His son accompanied him, and sat in the rig about fifteen feet from where the conversation took place. It was a clear night, and his son was able to hear what was said. The witness called Mr. Breckenridge out of his house and told him he had heard that he was going to vote against him, reminding him at the same time of his former promise. He said to Mr. Breckenridge: "You will never have a better opportunity of doing me a good turn than by voting for me now." He told him that a great deal depended on the election, and that he wanted to know at once who his friends were, so that he might make up his estimate of what vote he would get in his ward. He denied that he had said, "If you do not help me I will not help you."

Donald Douglas, son of the respondent, Mr. Douglas' Statement

you."
Donald Douglas, son of the respondent,
testified that he had heard the conversation, and his evidence was corroborative of that of his father's. At the conclusion of the taking of evidence on the charge the counsel addressed the bench, and their Lordahips reserved judgment, at the same time ordering that the taking of testimony on other charges be continued.

The court adjourned at this point.

NORTH SIMCOE ELECTION. Meeting at Stayner Favors the Nomi

A Meeting at Stayner Favers the Nomination of Anether Candidate.

Barrle, Nov. 1.—A meeting of electors of North Simcoe was held in Stayner yesterday afternoon. The meeting was attended by about 100 delegates from different parts of the riding, among those present being Messrs. Neil Harkins, James Martin, Sunnidale; Donald Ross, J. A. MacLaren, A. F. Hunter, S. Caldwell, N. W. E. King, J. Cavanagh, C. E. Hewson, Dr. Smith, Barrie; R. Graham, C. S. Burton, W. F. W. Lont, Flos; A. Findlay, W. Webb, D. Stewart, Vespra; Mayor Campbell, David Williams, W. Carmichael, Collingwood, Mr. Donald Ross, B.A. of Barrie, was voted to the chair, and Mr. W. Carmichael of Collingwood was elected Secretary. A resolution was carried that in the opinion of the meetings candidate should be put in the field at once to contest the riding. Another resolution was carried, setting forth the desire of the meeting to have a convention called by the Liberal Executive Committee, and that the Executive Denotified of such desire and given two weeks to comply with the same, but in the event of their not doing so the Chairman and Secretary of the meeting yesterday were empowered to call a convention.

Se the Fight Goes On. vere pressure on all German credit in-tutions. There may be no break down,

Se the Fight Goes On.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—Two more election cases have been practically settled, with the transference of their venues to Toronto. West Middlesex and South Grey are the two in question, and the date for the final burial of the hatchet is Nov. 14.

South Huron and West Huron will be similarly disposed of to-day before Justices Osler and Maclennan.

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Before Magistrate Seager-Decision Received.

Goderich, Nov. 1.—The Cox-Beatty shooting case was up before Charles Seager, police magistrate, and Horzee Horton, J.P., on Saturday. Several witnesses were examined, and the court adjourned until yesterday, when all the other witnesses were examined. The evidence was the same as that given at the coroner's inquest, with the exception of that of the prisoner, whose evidence was taken yesterday and agrees exactly with his statement given before. He gave his testimony freely, and did net appear to try to shield himself in any manner. It seems he did not put the revolver in his pocket purposely on the morning of the tragedy when starting out for Beatty's, but had it in his pocket for days before, thinking that he could frighten Beatty from cousing to his bouse to take Tilly, his daughter, away. He took this method, knowing that Beatty was a cowardly fellow, and had previously, by his own admission, been affightened in this way. After the evidence was in, Mr. Holt addressed the court in the prisoner's behalf, contending that the magistrates should dishoarge blun as it was a clear case. he thought.

him, as it was a clear of self-defence.

Mr. E. N. Lewis, for the Crown, asked

and Lawsuit Followed.

defence the argument that the does not hold good now, as the

Union is Any Way.

London, Ont., Nov. 1.—The Citiesns' Committee, representing the conductors and motormen, had a conference with the Street Railway official yesterday afternoon, for the jumpose of arranging a settlement of the 'lifficulty between the company and its employes. The points pro and con in the dispute were fully discussed, and the company's representatives expressed themselves as ready and willing to listen to any grievances from the striker individually or collectively, but positively refused to recognize the Union in any way. This decision was communicated to the strikers, who will hold a meeting this morning, and decide as to their course of action.

It is believed the men will meet the company on the terms laid down to them.

Ottawa, Nov. 1.—Yesterday morning Sir Wilfrid Laurier was seen at his office and asked if he had seen the following statement published in the Citizen: pernatorial position, and it is current orted that Sir Wilfrid is anxious for

Manitoba."
"Well," replied the Premier, "life is too short to take notice of all the misrepresentations and insinuations published daily in the Conservative press, but this latter insinuation is such that I can make an exception. You may tell your readers that there is not even a shadow of truth in the statement. Mr. Sifton is too good

man and too efficient a Minister of nterior to dispense with his services.

May Be Turned Into Cruisers, So a Rumon

Vancouver, B.C., Nov. 1.—It is reported, although the rumor wants confirmation, that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has received notification from the British Admiralty that the three big the British Admiralty that the three big Empress liners may be required at any moment to be transformed into auxiliary cruleers. Guns and other equipment lies at Hong Kong and Esquimault. One ves-sel is now in Vanouver harbor, one at Hong Kong, and the other on route to Yokohama. If the trouble with France assumes the worst aspect, two Empresses could be ready immediately.

The Cordelia Going H

The Cordella Going Rome.
Halifax, N.S., Nov. 1.—The crudser
Cordella, British, will sail for England
to-day, where she will be paid off. The
aloop Polican will also leave port,
ably going to the West Indies. ably going to the wees names. Mr. Justice Ferguson has decided that the London, duarantee & Accident Company, who went sepurity for County Treasurer Sanford of Himede to the Amount of \$10,000, must be held liable to the county for that amount. Miss Clare Barton of the Red Gress Society has written President McKinky. She asks if the Government will complete the work of distributing relief to the concentrados, or, if not, if it is the wish of the Government that the Red Gross Society should convinue to do so.

Society should convinue to do so.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British
Ambassador, and Postmaster-General
Smith on Faturday affixed, their signatures to the parcel post treaty between
the United States and the British colony
of Trinidad. The treaty is drawn up in

union.

The grand stand of the Northwest Ball Park, Chicago, an old landmark, has been demolished by a mob of men, women and children, with the aid of a trolley car. The trolley car was hitched to a post supporting the roof of the grand stand. When the car was started the big roof fell in with a crash.

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Hichard P. O'Brien, preprieter and
editor of Montreal Town Topics, publishes an apology to J. Marshall Williams,
in which he says he has investigated the
alleged scandal in St. James' Methodist
Church and finds that so far as Mr.
Williams is concerned the charges were
"false, ereneous and without any foundation in truth."

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