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WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (noon)—Moderate winds, fair to-day. Moderate winds on East Coast. Strong, Easterly on West Coast; milder.

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HUERTA LOOKS FOR SOLUTION OF DIFFICULTIES

Thinks That There is Peace in Sight for War-ridden Mexico, but Fears That There May Be Trouble With the United States.—Rebels Not in Peaceable Mood.

Mexico City, April 15.—President Huerta believes that the difficulties of the Nation are approaching a solution by which all elements will be united. It has been said that the only event that would unite the contending parties, would be war with the United States.

In the event of intervention in Mexico by the States, the Constitutional forces will not enter into coalition with the present federal government, but will make armed resistance against American invasion of the territory which they now control.

No overtures will be received from Huerta. Regardless of any action by the States, the Constitutionalists will attack the federals wherever they find them.

This in brief is Carranza's programme. It has been agreed to by General Villa.

States In No Need To Be Trifled With

Will Insist on Apology for Insult to the Flag.

Washington, April 16.—With the majority of the ships of the American Navy under orders to proceed to the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts of Mexico, the United States Government gave Huerta a final warning that unless a salute was fired to the United States flag within a reasonable time to atone for repeated offences against the rights and dignity of the United States, serious eventualities would result.

It was learned last night that Huerta, when apprised by Charge O'Shaughnessy of the proposed demonstration of the Atlantic fleet, argued that the episode which had grown out of the arrest of American bluejackets at Tampico, was a fit subject for arbitration at the Hague, and that he would appoint a commission to investigate the incident.

President Wilson in an emphatic reply is understood to have told Huerta that the time for delay and evasion had passed, that the American Government would temporize no longer.

Administration officials hold that insults to flag and questions of National honor are not subjects for arbitration.

All information, official and otherwise that reached Washington from Mexico City tended to show that Huerta was unconvinced that the United States was in earnest and thought the Washington Government was bluffing.

Some anti-American demonstrations at Vera Cruz and other points were reported.

Developments here show clearly that a determined and forceful policy was being defined by the President, which would be backed up by Congress, and enforced, if necessary, by the Army and Navy.

TERRA NOVAN'S IN CANADA WILL AID THE BEREAVED

Newfoundland Societies in Toronto and Montreal Take Steps to Raise Money to Swell the Fund to Help the Families of Victims of the Great Sealing Disaster.

Toronto, April 14.—The Newfoundland Society of Toronto is taking action to raise a fund for the sufferers from the sealing disaster, news of which this week shocked the world. At a meeting of the executive committee a subscription list was started and arrangements made for promoting a substantial contribution. It is estimated that there are not fewer than 1,500 Newfoundlanders in this city, and it is surmised that there is a large proportion of these as well as numbers of the public generally, who will be glad of an opportunity to contribute.

The treasures of the fund are Lewis LeGrow, 92 Harbord street, and J. M. Burden, 16 King street west.

The committee appointed to solicit subscriptions are: G. R. Ellis, 299 Crawford street; A. G. Horwood, 250 Major street; W. G. Smith, 177 Westmoreland avenue; R. S. LeDrew, 502 Kent Bldg.; Geo. LeDrew, 357 Concord avenue; Geo. Moores, 44 Christie street; R. Prince, 779 Bloor street west; J. M. Delaney, 214 Brunswick college; Hedley Goodyear, Victoria College; John Cooper, 97 Strathcona avenue; and the treasurers.

The following subscriptions were secured on the spot: G. R. Ellis, \$5; A. G. Horwood, \$5; W. G. Smith, \$25; R. S. LeDrew, \$10; A. G. LeDrew, \$5; A. Cooper, \$5; Geo. Moores, \$15; R. Prince, \$15; James Hussey, \$5; H. J. Goodyear, \$10; J. N. Delaney, \$5. Total, \$105.

Worse Than War.

In conversation with The Star today, Mr. Lewis LeGrow, one of the treasurers, said if it proved to be true, as unfortunately there was now little doubt that 250 men had lost their lives, as well as a number of others who by losing legs and arms will be permanently disabled, the disaster is appalling in its proportions. The total sealing fleet numbers only about 2,000 men, and when 13 per cent of them are wiped out at one blow, it is worse than war, he said. The men are nearly all married men with families. Their existence is extremely precarious, and it is certain practically no provision has been made for any of their families.

"We Newfoundlanders have a warm spot in our hearts for the Island, and we feel like giving some tangible expression of our sympathy on such an occasion," he said.

Arrangements are being made for a memorial service a week from Sunday in the Bathurst Street Methodist Church.

At the executive meeting last night a telegram from Mr. R. S. LeDrew, president of the society, and the answer from the acting Premier of Newfoundland, were read. They are as follows:

John R. Bennett, Esq., Acting Prime Minister, St. John's, Newfoundland:

Members of the Newfoundland Society in Toronto tender heartfelt sympathy for the terrible bereavement fallen on Newfoundland, and pray that

the greatest sufferers may be sustained in the hour of awful loss. Please inform if subscriptions are accepted.

R. S. LEDREW, President.

Newfoundland's Thanks.

—Reply—

St. John's, Nfld., April 7th.

R. S. LeDrew, Esq., President Newfoundland Society, Toronto, Ont.:

On behalf of Government and people, I beg to thank you for your kind words of sympathy in this terrible sealing disaster. Subscription lists have been opened, and at meeting to-night committee of citizens will be appointed to deal with situation.

JOHN R. BENNETT,

Acting Prime Minister.

Subscriptions forwarded to The Star will be turned over to the committee.

U. S. Believes Huerta Will Yield

Washington, April 15.—While the Atlantic fleet headed for Tampico today, President Wilson took into his confidence, the Republican and Democratic committees in charge of Foreign Affairs.

The President and Cabinet believe that Huerta will yield, and that the situation will not become acute.

Fight Big Battle Over The Budget

London, April 15.—The next parliamentary battle will be fought over the Budget.

Mr. Asquith announced this afternoon that the Budget would be considered the week after next.

When the contents of the Budget under consideration by the Cabinet was reported, there was a great deal of dissension among the members, and there is every likelihood that the debate will be spirited to the point of bitterness.

T. A. MEETING

The adjourned monthly meeting of the T. A. & B. Society was held last night. Vice-President Griffin presiding. Several applicants were elected to membership. After the usual business was gone through the meeting adjourned.

Plague Claims Another Victim

Havana, April 15.—The second victim of the bubonic plague died to-day. By to-morrow morning nearly 18,000 persons must abandon seventeen blocks, which were closed last night by the sanitary authorities.

Two companies of soldiers have formed a cordon in this section, in order to prevent the people from returning to their homes.

One new case developed to-day, and two suspicious cases were transferred to hospital.

OLD COUNTRY SUBSCRIBES LIBERALLY

Thousands of Pounds Pouring In in Response to Appeals Issued Through Great English Papers.—United Kingdom Stirred Over Tragedy.—Local Collectors Doing Good Work and Meeting With Generous Response.

A message received this morning by the Acting Premier from the Premier, Sir Edward Morris, from London, says that the Fund started in the Old Country for the relief of the sufferers by the sealing disaster has been most successful. Up to date, including subscriptions at Liverpool, about £8,000 have been raised. The principal subscribers are:

The King and Queen, £150; Governor Davidson, Couring, Koenig, Langley, Viscount Hambledon, Glynn, Mills & Co., Coates & Co., Rothschild, Mrs. Richardson, Lord Michellan, Miss Mills, Lampson & Co., £100 each; The Harm worth Company, £1,000; The Daily Mail, £500; The Daily Mirror, £250; Lord Mount Stephen, £500; The Prince of Wales, £50; Bowings, Liverpool, £200; Jobs, Liverpool, £200; Whitehead Morris & Company, London, £50; The Right Honorable Lewis Hartcourt (Secretary for the Colonies), £25; Dr. Grenfell, Sir Thomas Esmonde, Sir Edward Morris, £10 each. The list embraces hundreds of names, and the Navy men have been on this station in the past are doing especially well. The Governor is leaving no stone unturned to increase the Fund, and his wife is equally active.

The gentlemen collecting from private residences for the Disaster Fund were busy last evening, and it gives us much pleasure to say that they met with liberal and ready responses.

The amount received to date by Treasurer the Hon. R. Watson is \$33,867.59.

The total of the list published in The Daily Mail yesterday should be \$31,095.89, as the last donation, \$5,000 from Royal Bank of Canada, not being in the hands of the Treasurer, cannot yet be officially acknowledged.

Bandits Locked Up Messenger

Little Rock, Ark., April 14.—Attracted by muffled cries from the express car attached to a local Chicago Rock Island and Pacific train, railway employees here last night found the express messenger, Wm. Ahring, locked in a trunk, bound and gagged and the safe in the car looted.

The discovery was made when the train reached Little Rock. It is estimated that between \$2,000 and \$3,000 was obtained by the two men who Ahring declares took possession of the car near Haskel, Ark., 30 miles from Little Rock, and forced him into the trunk. Other members of the train crew knew nothing of the robbery until the messenger was discovered in the trunk. According to Ahring the two men boarded his car, took his keys, then forced him into the trunk. That was all he knew, Ahring said, until he was released here.

WHOLE WORLD IN ACCORD WITH UNCLE SAM'S MOVE

Universal Opinion Is That It Is Time That the Mexican Belligerents Were Taught Some Lessons as to International Rights and the Sanctity of Human Lives.

London, April 16.—London papers in commenting on the Mexican situation, display sympathy with President Wilson in the difficulties which have arisen with Mexico; while at the same time contending those difficulties were largely brought about by his idealistic policy.

Much curiosity is expressed over the intentions of the States, because although it is generally believed Huerta will yield, it is pointed out that should he remain obdurate the mere occupation of Tampico would be the only measure that would deal a serious blow to the Huerta regime.

The Daily Telegraph cannot believe that Wilson intends to put into effect resolute military intervention, and sees no hope of putting an end to the anarchy which has resulted from Wilson's policy of moral intervention.

The Graphic considers that Wilson's high moral purpose have landed the United States and the President himself in a situation of great difficulty and embarrassment. The Graphic continues that Mexico must now be conquered or left alone.

The idea that intervention can be limited to occupation of Tampico and Vera Cruz is a fresh delusion which will, be speedily shattered.

The Standard says "The big stick which Wilson should have used long ago has at last been grasped; the door to peace is still open, but it rests with Huerta to avail himself of the chance."

The Mail says if Huerta has the sense with which he is generally credited in Europe, he will lose no time in making his amende honorable to the United States. That he should deliberately provoke war with so formidable a power on the question of a salute seems unthinkable. The Mail thinks that in the event of war and the objection of Huerta, the temporary Protectorate of Mexico is inevitable and add "President Wilson is too wise and humane a ruler to consign a vast country to sheer anarchy, which is bound to follow the collapse of such a Government as now exists in Mexico."

The Chronicle considers that the Sovereign might, without loss of dignity, have condemned the Tampico affront on the receipt of an apology which Huerta has already tendered, and says it is therefore difficult to disconnect the President's actions entirely from the return of Mr. Lind. It is evident that Lind went home to urge stronger measures and stronger measures have followed forthwith.

CONTRIBUTION OF \$100

At the memorial service conducted in the S. A. Citadel, New Governor on Easter Sunday the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) was given in aid of the Disaster Fund, which will be duly handed over to the Committee.

ADJUTANT HISCOCK.

Bishop Set Free By Rebel Bandits

Greaser Insurgents Had Threatened to Hold Good Friday Crucifixion.

Mexico City, April 14.—After spending more than a week in the camp of Zapata, the rebel bandit, in fear of crucifixion, Bishop Campos, of Chimalpa, has reached the town of Iguala, having been saved from the terrible death which had been threatened.

With this report reaching here today, Catholics expressed the greatest relief, as it was feared the threats of the rebels would certainly be carried out unless the ransom of fifty thousand pesos (\$25,000 in Canadian real money) demanded by Zapata, reached the rebel camp before Good Friday, when it was declared the Bishop would be crucified.

At Iguala Bishop Campos declared that the threat of crucifixion had really been made by a subordinate of Zapata. For a time the rebel bandit evidently believed it would serve as a means of assuming funds for his forces.

The reports of the tremendous feeling that had been aroused in Mexico City and throughout the country began to reach the rebel camp, and Zapata countermanded the order of his officer and ordered the Bishop released.

Technical School Officers Elected

A number of prominent gentlemen interested in the Technical School met at the Board of Trade Rooms at noon yesterday, when the following officers were elected: President, Hon. J. Harvey; Vice President, Mr. R. G. Rendell; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. R. F. Horwood; Committee, Messrs. J. S. Munn, R. B. Job, W. E. Ladley, Capt. H. B. Saunders and Tasker Cook.

Incorrect Report About Terra Nova

It was reported to-day that the crew of the Terra Nova had contributed only 20 cents per man to the Disaster Fund. This is absolutely untrue. Mr. Simms, cashier at Bowring's, informs The Mail that some subscribed \$1.50 and others \$2.00.

French to Have New Hospital Ship

A new hospital ship for the French fishermen on the Banks was recently launched at Nauites. She has been christened St. Jehanne by Abbe Le-Crioux, who will act on her as chaplain. The Jehanne replaces the Francois d'Assise, which has done service for a number of years.

The new ships is thoroughly up to date. She leaves for St. Pierre the latter part of this month.

RENEWED HOPE OF A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT

Understood That Premier Asquith Will Invite the Unionists to a Conference Regarding the Situation in Ireland.—Satisfactory Understanding Will Likely Be Reached.

London, April 15.—With the resumption of Parliament after the Easter recess there is renewed hope that the Home Rule problem will be settled by agreement.

The Government's decision to postpone the introduction of the Budget for a week is attributed to a desire to provide a period in which stock may be taken of the Irish question.

It is understood that Premier Asquith intends to invite the Unionist leaders to join in a renewal of discussion with a view to compromise.

Offered to Man Search Steamer

The deep interest taken in the recent terrible sealing disaster and the overwhelming desire of our people to do something to assist the bereaved or to help clear up, if possible, the mystery of the Southern Cross is typically exemplified in the following message to the Colonial Secretary as sent from Carbonear:

J. R. BENNETT, ESQ., Colonial Secretary.

If Government will provide steamer, volunteer crew and navigating officers from this place will man ship assist Kyle search for Southern Cross.

—CAPT. GEO. PENNEY.

Carbonear, April 7.

The Colonial Secretary's reply was as follows:

CAPT. GEO. PENNEY, Carbonear.

Government appreciate highly offer of services volunteer crew and officers for search Southern Cross. Kyle is scouring ocean and doing everything possible to locate missing ship and Government have directed Fiona to search along shore. While thanking for offer Government do not consider services third ship necessary.

—COL. SECY.

St. John's, April 7.

SEALING TURNS

S. S. Seal

The Seal finished discharging yesterday, her turnout being 5,951 young harps, 85 old harps, 1 old hood, a total of 5,987 seals. Gross weight 133 tons, 11 cwt, 0 qrs, 13 lbs. Gross value, \$12,247.01; net value \$12,097.01. The crew of 144 men shared \$27.80 each, and the average weight of the young harps was 46 3-8 lbs.

S. S. Nascope

The turnout of the Nascope was 17,934 young harps, 5 bedlamers, 209 old harps, 3 old hoods, a total of 18,151 seals. The gross weight was 419 tons, 6 cwt, 2 qrs, 24 lbs.; net weight 406 tons, 3 cwt, 1 qr, 9 lbs. Gross value, \$38,388.48; net value \$38,248.48. The crew of 271 men shared \$46.87 each. The young harps averaged 51 lbs.

Willie's Little Game.-



It Was Unsuccessful.