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BLAIR ON THE RAILWAY JOB:

Hon. A. G. Blair stated, before he resigned as Minister of Railways, that he could not stand up in Parliament and attempt to steer through the Grand Trunk Pacific bill without wearing a mask and carrying a dark lantern, so great was the swindle of public money.

And it is only the sudden illness in Mr. Blair's family that prevented him from taking the stump against this outrageous expenditure of the people's money.

A photograph of Mr. Blair's original resignation telegram will appear in Wednesday's issue. The St. John Liberal organ stated that this telegram was never signed by Mr. Blair.

REFORM IN RUSSIA RESULTS IN OPEN DOOR

In the Trial of Those Concerned in the Anti-Jewish Riots at Goinel... The Newspapers Applaud the Action of the Government--Conflicting Evidence is Submitted.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 1.—1.31 p. m. A Jew over the purchase of a house...

The Novosti, the Jewish organ, is especially gratified at the trial being conducted with open doors, declaring that this marks a new era on the part of the government towards the Jewish question.

Thirty-four representatives of provincial Zemstvos summoned to St. Petersburg, by Prince Svislitski-Mirsky, minister of the interior, to participate in the consideration of peasant reforms, will assemble here Nov. 24th.

The papers display the greatest gratification, some saying that they had waited over twenty-five years for the moment, contending that the calling into a conference of representatives of the Zemstvos in connection with land and peasant legislation is in effect the beginning of a land parliament.

Goinel, Russia, Nov. 1.—The trial of the persons charged with being responsible for the anti-Jewish riots here in September 1903, is proceeding slowly and with open doors and is attracting immense interest.

The government produced evidence to prove that the Jews were thoroughly organized and armed and had prearranged signals, regular leaders, adopted a provocative attitude towards the Christians, and acted overbearing, insulting peasants in the streets and jostling them off the sidewalks.

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MUST CAST THEIR VOTE.

C. P. R. Instructs Officials to so Arrange Their Work That They May Exercise Franchise

Vernon, Nov. 1.—(Special)—Instructions have been sent to the chief officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway, throughout the district, to arrange their duties if possible, so as to enable every employe to vote on Thursday. The order is intended to include conductors, engineers, and trainmen of every description, as well as station and clerical employes.

SUPREME COURT OPENED TODAY.

Owing to the Elections an Adjournment Was Taken Until Tuesday Next.

Fredericton, Nov. 1.—(Special)—The Michaelmas term of the supreme court opened here this morning with Judges Tuck, McLennan, Barker, and Gregory present.

A FRENCH SQUABBLE

Paris, Oct. 31.—7.10 p. m.—The agitation against Minister of War Andre is increasing in intensity. M. Guyot de Villeneuve, the Deputy whose charges brought on the critical vote in the Chamber, gave notice today that he will present new charges against General Andre on Friday.

ANOTHER SENSATION IN ANGLO-RUSSIAN CASE.

Garrison at Gibraltar Ordered to be Ready for Action at a Moment's Notice--But the News from London Does Not Give Any Reason for such a move.

Gibraltar, Nov. 1.—The garrison has been mobilized and the artillerymen have been ordered to take up their positions at the different batteries of the rock. The channel squadron has been ordered to be in readiness at a moment's notice.

Vigo, Spain, Nov. 1.—All the Russian warships left here at 8 o'clock this morning.

London, Nov. 1.—Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador was received in audience by King Edward at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

London, Nov. 1.—Up to 2 o'clock no explanation was obtainable from the sensational despatches from Gibraltar announcing the mobilization of the garrison there, etc., but they had the effect of starting rumors of a hitch in the arrangements between Great Britain and Russia for a settlement of the North Sea incident.

London, Nov. 1.—Ambassador Benckendorff had a most cordial interview with the King, who, it is understood expressed for transmission to St. Petersburg his satisfaction at the present method of settling the dispute. Up to the time he saw the King, Count Benckendorff has received no notification that a detachment of officers from the Russian squadron at Vigo would attend the sessions of the international commission, nor had he heard of the sailing of the squadron from Vigo.

Woodstock, Nov. 1.—(Special)—Word has just been received from Bangor, of a frightful accident to Otis Graham, son of James Graham, of this town. The young man, who is about 25 years of age, was employed as a train in Bangor when by some means he fell under the wheels, mangleing his legs so badly that they had to be amputated below the knees. He is now in the Bangor hospital.

Count Benckendorff had a long conference last evening with Premier Balfour, Lord Selborne, first lord of the admiralty as well as foreign secretary Lansdowne were present. It was stated that the draft of the proposed convention relative to the scope, composition and venue of the international commission was drawn