

PARTY OF PROGRESS

Premier Laurier Promises Montreal That Canal and River Will be Deepened.

A Work That Will be of Immense Benefit to Both the West and East.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 3.—(Special) Premier Laurier has promised Mr. Bikerdike, president of the board of trade, Montreal, who was here yesterday, to give fourteen feet depth in the canals west of Montreal and thirty feet in the river east. It is said that provision will be made in the estimates next session to carry this work to completion.

Mr. Boyd arrived here today on private business. He heard Bryan speak recently and considers we have better orators in the Canadian parliament.

Mr. Fraser, who conducted the oil borings near Edmonton for the government, made a report to the director of the survey to-day. He does not despair of getting oil at Athabasca Landing, but cannot get deep enough and will do nothing more until a new location is struck next spring.

The applications for admission to the civil service examinations next week closed on Saturday and reached 1,540, or almost double those of last year; 800 are for the qualifying and 700 for the preliminary.

Horse exporters are asking the government to draft regulations respecting the treatment of horses on shipboard.

Hon. Mr. Peters and Mr. Belline, counsel for Canada before the Behring sea claims commission, and Mr. Venning, chief clerk of the fisheries department, left for Victoria today.

Mr. Torrance, of the Dominion line, saw Hon. Mr. Laurier with the object of securing the mail service between Halifax and Liverpool.

Hon. Mr. Mallock is expected to bring into the house a bill for amending the changes are promised shortly.

Mr. Laurier will be in the city on Saturday next.

STRANGE DEATHS.

Bishop of Killaloe Drops Dead on the Street as His Wife Dies at Home.

Dublin, Nov. 3.—The Rt. Rev. Frederick R. Wynne, D. D., Episcopal bishop of Killaloe, Killenora and Kilmacnagh, was found dead this morning on the sidewalk near his residence in this city. The wife of the bishop of Killaloe was found dead in her bedroom soon after his body was discovered on the sidewalk.

An investigation showed that the prelate recently left Killaloe for his home in Dublin on account of his wife's health, and had left the house to fetch a doctor for her about 5:30 a.m., when he fell dead near his residence. His wife, it seems, must have died soon after the bishop left the house.

DEFENDS HIS FATHER.

Count Herbert Bismarck on the Recent Disclosures.

London, Nov. 2.—A dispatch from Paris to the Chronicle reports the arrival there of Count Herbert Bismarck and says that in conversation with his intimate associates he defends his father's disclosures regarding the entente between Russia and Germany between 1884 and 1890 as neither sensible nor unadvised, but as having been induced by patriotism.

The Morning Post has a dispatch from Berlin which reports that the government has decided not to prosecute the authors of the disclosures regarding Germany's relations with Russia.

SEVILLE CYCLONE.

Caused a Number of Wrecks and Numerous Deaths.

Madrid, Nov. 3.—The sensational report circulated in the United States by a news agency that the town of Huelva had been swept by a tidal wave from the Atlantic ocean is false. It is also false that the steamship Cattagua has been overwhelmed by a great wave and most of the persons on board her drowned. The two sensations were probably based on the effects of a cyclone which swept Seville on Wednesday last as announced exclusively by the Associated Press, and which caused a number of fatal wrecks. The bodies drowned are now coming ashore at Huelva, and at Cartagena, a Spanish seaport in the Mediterranean, and almost on the other side of Spain. Sailing vessels were endangered and it is feared several persons were drowned.

EAST OF THE ROCKIES.

Religious Services Held at Mercier's Tomb on Sunday.

Sudbury, Nov. 2.—The alleged coal strike here is growing much fiercer.

SOUND MONEY WINS

Mark Hanna's Forecast of the Election was Not Very Far Out.

Overwhelming Majority for the Republicans in the Eastern States.

Many of the Doubtful Ones Also Fall into Line for Major McKinley.

Denver, Col., Nov. 3.—The women of this city voted in the presidential election to-day, this being their first opportunity. The weather promises to be favorable. The vote in this city will probably run close to 50,000, the total registration being about 55,000.

Philadelphia, Nov. 3.—The first bloodshed of the day was reported from the Fifth Ward, where Charles Johnson and Gus Glasgow became involved in a quarrel over politics, which ended in both drawing revolvers and blazing away at each other. Johnson had one finger shot away and Glasgow was wounded in the groin. Glasgow was removed to the hospital where the physicians say he is in danger of dying. Johnson was locked up after his wound had been dressed.

Canton, Nov. 3.—McKinley cast his vote at 9 o'clock this morning. It was straight Republican from top to bottom. Hudson, Mich., Nov. 3.—The Abbott voting machine is being used in the election to-day and the result of the vote in this city will be known sooner than the result in any part of the country. The machine is simple in operation and as the different parts are designated by color, as well as in type, the most ignorant voters find little trouble in using it. Each vote is registered as cast and the total is known as soon as the polls close.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 3.—Bald, the wheelman, went into the White Elephant Hotel to-day with a large wad of money in every pocket. The place is a stronghold of Bryanites. Bald began a series of remarks bearing on the lack of nerve displayed by the silvermen in their betting. He offered to bet \$1000 to \$900 on McKinley. Finally he was taken up by a Canadian farmer, who produced the money in gold pieces. This display shamed two other Bryan men and they offered to do with the money took them up, leaving \$3000 in the hands of stakeholders. He was anxious to bet a little more, he being confident that Bryan will be among the "also rans."

Chicago, Nov. 3.—Considerable excitement was occasioned at 29th and Halsted streets, where one of the polling places is located, when it was discovered that a boy had died there from malignant diphtheria during the night and another was dying. Steps were at once taken to move the polling place. In the sixth ward an effigy of McKinley with a silver hat on was hanging on a telegraph pole this morning.

At 2 p.m. the Democratic county committee conceded Cook county to McKinley, but say they expect Alford will pull through by a narrow majority. Cook county includes the city of Chicago.

Chicago, Nov. 4.—The following table will be found approximately correct as viewed in this morning's light. For McKinley—Maine, 4000 plurality; New Hampshire, 20,000; Vermont, 35,000; Rhode Island, 15,000; Connecticut, 55,000; Massachusetts, 175,000; New York, 285,000; New Jersey, 83,000; Pennsylvania, 300,000; Ohio, 90,000; Delaware, 2500; Maryland, 10,000; West Virginia, 10,000; Kentucky, 10,000; Indiana, 15,000; Illinois, 75,000; Michigan, 25,000; Wisconsin, 140,000; Minnesota, 100,000; Iowa, 70,000; North Dakota, 30,000; South Dakota, 10,000.

For Bryan—Colorado, 110,000; Wyoming, 15,000; Idaho, 15,000; Montana, 14,000; Texas, 75,000; Arkansas, 25,000; Louisiana, 40,000; Mississippi, 50,000; Georgia, 25,000; Alabama, 35,000; Florida, 14,000; South Carolina, 50,000; North Carolina, 25,000; Virginia, 20,000.

Doubtful—Washington, Oregon, California, Kansas, Nebraska, Tennessee, Missouri.

FAMINE IN INDIA

Relief Works Opened in the Districts Where There Will be Most Suffering.

Sir Richard Temple Thinks That the Work of Supplying Should be Left to Traders.

London, Nov. 2.—Severe distress is feared in the districts of Saugur, Jubulpur, Narsingpur, Poshangabad and a part of Raipur, and in the central provinces. The general prospects in Bengal are gloomy, and if there is no rain in November the distress may be serious in a part of Patna and Bihar. These fears, however, are perhaps exaggerated. Relief works have been opened in three districts of Upper Burma, and relief is likely to be wanted everywhere in Bihar. Distress is also expected in Hyderabad, Bhurpur, Dholpur, Jaisalmer, Bikanir, Tonk, Gwalior, and in parts of Bagkeikhand and Bundelkand. The prices of wheat in the Punjab are from eight to ten seers per rupee, in Bombay from ten to twelve. The effect of the railway facilities will be to make the distress less intense.

A few small riots have been reported, mostly owing to the export of wheat having the effect of raising prices. The troops have twice been called out, once in the Punjab and once in the districts of California wheat have reached Calcutta, and 30,000 tons are believed to have been bought for India, but the home prices are said to be rising. When the news of this report reached Jubulpur the prices fell from 8 1/2 to 10 seers per rupee. There are 32,500 persons employed in relief work.

Sir Richard Temple, who has had experience in Indian affairs since 1846, who was at one time secretary to Sir John Lawrence, finance minister of India from 1868 to 1874, has been interviewed on the threatened Indian famine. Sir Richard alluded to the import of California wheat as a unique factor in the situation. He said: "It appears that this wheat can be loaded at Calcutta and sold from 8 to 10 seers per rupee. Such a possibility was dreamed of in my time. If this be true it will suffice to fill the shortage in the Indian supply. Certainly American wheat sold in India at that price will suffice the distressed districts. I do not see the need for the government to interfere in this matter. If the thing can be done, the traders will do it better. I think this is a matter of vital importance, which the government should immediately verify, if it is possible, and if so they should not intervene. If the American supply failed then do not think there is sufficient wheat in India to meet the scarcity, and the government may have to buy supplies wherever a favorable opportunity offers."

CONGRESS AND SENATE.

Eastern Papers Predict Complexion of Next House.

Chicago, Nov. 4.—The Times-Herald prints a table of the next house of representatives as follows: Total Republicans 245; Democrats and Populists 125; Republican minorities: Anti-Silver Republicans 20; Anti-Silver Democrats and Populists 3; Republicans for silver 3; Democrats and Populists for silver 119; sound money majority 113. The present complexion of the house is 225 Republicans, 105 Democrats, 6 Populists and 1 silver party.

New York, Nov. 4.—The Tribune's estimate of the next senate of the United States is as follows: Republicans 42, Democrats 33, gold standard Democrats 4, Populists 5, and doubtful 6.

AGAINST THE ITALIANS.

Demonstration in Brazil Against the Italian Residents.

New York, Nov. 2.—The Herald's correspondent in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, telegraphs that demonstrations against the Italian residents continue in Santa Paulo. The governor of the state reprimanded the aid of federal troops, but promised to punish those who are the chief offenders. There is a hitch in the settlement of the Italian claims against Brazil. The Italian commissioner, De Martino, and the foreign minister held another conference to-day. The minister of finance insists that the Brazilians must keep secret, as well as the purport of the negotiations with Russia before 1890, the obligation is still binding upon all cognizant of the matter and this consideration also precludes the possibility of discussing the essential part of the negotiations.

A BANK LOOTED.

Suit to Determine Responsibility of Directors for President's Actions.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

A Heated Discussion at a Presbytery Meeting at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Nov. 4.—A heated discussion took place here last night at a meeting of the Ottawa presbytery over the ordination of a minister in Montebello, in the province of Quebec. Mr. Knowles, of the Stovorton Presbyterian church spoke out plainly on the subject, saying that money was wasted in this way when it could be used to advantage in English mission fields in the Northwest. Those of the Catholic religion were well enough where they were. He believed in looking after French Protestants. Knowles' speech created a warm debate but it was finally decided to extend the necessary money to have the Presbyterian missionary at Montebello ordained.

The supreme court was to-day engaged in a very important case, that of the schooner F. Gerring, Jr., vs. the Queen. The Gerring was an American schooner seized within the three mile limit of the coast of Nova Scotia and condemned by the admiralty court of that province. Her cargo of 200 barrels of mackerel, equipment and everything was forfeited. The owners of the schooner appealed to the supreme court. The case was argued to-day, Mr. McEwen, Q.C., of Halifax, appearing for the owners of the schooner and Mr. E. L. Newcombe, Q.C., deputy minister of justice for the Crown. The defence of the owners is that the fish was caught outside the three-mile limit, and they were discharging their nets when the capture was made, having drifted with the wind over the line. The point is as to what constitutes "fishing" or "taking fish" within the meaning of the treaty. Judgment was reserved.

COMPANION OF SIRIUS.

Observations Prove It to be in Its Predicted Position.

Lick Observatory, Nov. 3.—The bright star Sirius has a small companion which was discovered by Alvin Clark, Jr., in 1862. It is especially interesting because its existence was predicted in 1844 by Bessel from a consideration of the irregular motion of the larger star. The small star moved about Sirius in an orbit whose circuit is completed in about fifty years. The mass of the small star is about one-half the mass of Sirius, though it has only one ten-thousandth part of its light. The mass of the companion is substantially the same as the sun's mass. Recent observations at Mount Hamilton by Prof. Aitken on October 24, 25 and 31, and by Prof. Schaeberle on October 29 and 31 show conclusively that Clark's companion of Sirius is in its predicted position. The observations are 3.70 seconds. The observations in full will be printed in the astronomical journals, officially announcing the rediscoversy at the Lick observatory of the object first found by Clark in 1862.

THE TARTE-GRENIER CASE.

The Defendant's "Bluff" Telegram to Hon. Mr. Tarte.

Montreal Star: In answer to the dispatch sent Saturday to Hon. J. I. Tarte, by W. A. Grenier of La Libre Parole, calling on the minister not to delay his return so that the trial for libel might proceed, Messrs. Danurand & Brodeur state that at the same moment of the sending of the telegram they were served with the following copy of a motion to be presented on Nov. 2 by Messrs. Cornellier, Fontaine and La Belle, counsel for Mr. Grenier.

Whereas the defence in this case is specially long to prepare; Whereas the defendant has a plea of justification to offer; Whereas the facts, the justification of which must be pleaded, extend back a number of years, and that consequently the resources will be lengthy and difficult; Whereas, for these causes, the defendant needs a supplementary delay to prepare his said defence; There be granted to him by this court a delay of one month to produce the said defence, the whole with costs, distraits to the undersigned. (Signed) Cornellier, Fontaine & Labelle, Counsel for Defendant.

HOW TO CURE BITTENS COLIC.

I suffered for weeks with colic and pains in my stomach caused by biliousness and had to take medicine all the while until I used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy which cured me. I have since recommended it to a good many people. Mrs. F. Butler, Fairhaven, Conn. Persons who are subject to bilious colic can ward off the attack by taking this remedy as soon as the first symptoms appear. Sold by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.



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