

# PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL PLATFORM DRAWN UP

### Americanism and Declarations For Preparedness, Military, Spiritual, Economic and Industrial, are Keynotes.

Chicago, June 8.—Ringing declarations of Americanism and for preparedness, military, spiritual, economic and industrial, are keynotes of the Progressive national platform completed today in co-operation with the Republican convention platform builders. The Progressive platform leaders hoped to present their document to the convention to-day or tomorrow at the latest.

## RUSSIA MOURNS KITCHENER'S LOSS

### Object of His Proposed Visit to the Czar's Empire.

Petrograd, June 8.—Field Marshal Earl Kitchener's death has profoundly affected the whole of Russia. His proposed visit to Russia had been looked forward to with intense interest, not only by officials, but by the public generally as evidence of the further cementing of the growing cordiality between Great Britain and Russia, and as a concrete token of complete co-ordination between the fighting forces of the respective countries.

Foreign Minister Sazonoff immediately the news of Earl Kitchener's death was received here, cabled an expression of sympathy to London on behalf of the Imperial Government. Baron Schilling, Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, in the temporary absence of M. Sazonoff, said with regard to the death of Earl Kitchener: "The allies have sustained a grievous loss in the death of Earl Kitchener, whose ability and worth were fully recognized by Russia. His loss, however great as it is, can have no appreciable effect on the future of the war."

## SENT MESSAGE THAT REVEALED WAITE POISON PLOT



Miss Elizabeth G. Hardwicke was one of the most important witnesses at the Waite trial. It was she who sent the telegram to Percy Peck in Grand Rapids signed "K. Adams." In it she said, "Insist on autopsy," and had it not been for this action the plot might never have been revealed. It might yet have been believed that Mr. and Mrs. Peck died of natural causes.

# Haines Bros. PLAYER PIANOS

We give the Haines Bros. Pianos and Player Pianos our strongest recommendation. For sixty years this piano has led in the favor of the world's greatest musical artists, and to-day it is better than ever. The Haines Bros. Player Pianos have all the mechanical points that the finest player-actions can provide.

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## SIMCOE FIXES ITS TAX RATE AT 22 MILLS

Estimates of Receipts and Expenditures Published Herewith. COUNTY COUNCIL IN SESSION Possible Re-arrangement of Mail Schedules for Better Service.

Simcoe, June 7.—Dr. Meeke of Port Rowan reached town this morning and conferred with Dr. McIntosh. A coroner's jury was empanelled, and after viewing the remains of the Italian, Cosimo Lotendini, who died from injuries here yesterday, the inquest was adjourned till Friday morning at 9 a.m.

The verdict returned last night as a result of the inquest at Waterford in the death of Henry Smith, who was electrocuted on Monday by grasping a telephone wire that was in contact with the hydro cable, exonerated all parties from blame or negligence.

The county executive of the patriotic committee met this forenoon in the county council chamber. His honor, Justice Boag, in the chair. The session was spent in determining the schedule of pay or allowance.

The E. H. Jackson Co. has been appointed Dominion Express agents here, the business will be transacted over the L. E. & N.

Business tax rate is fixed at 22 mills. Farmers are waiting for clear weather and dry ground to plant corn.

NEW MAIL SCHEDULE. Negotiations are under way to have established another arrangement whereby an earlier service of morning mail from the East may be obtained.

The proposed plan should give a delivery here at 9 o'clock instead of 11.30. Hamilton evening papers are arranging to send papers out via Brantford, reaching here at five instead of 8.30 as formerly.

The new road is therefore bringing the service to which Simcoe looked forward to. Brantford papers are having a large afternoon sale in town since the opening of the road. A re-arrangement of the time table for rural districts will follow. The whole matter is under consideration.

A statement of the salaries of some of the town officials, with quarterly figures given as monthly figures, appeared yesterday in a Brantford daily. Readers of the same may think that Simcoe is unduly liberal in this regard.

COUNTY COUNCIL. County Council resumed work at two o'clock. P. S. Inspector Cook's report to the County Council showed that all schools in the inspectorate had qualified teachers. The average salary of male teachers is \$658, and of all teachers \$598; of the rural teachers alone, \$588.

Table with 2 columns: 1915, 1916. Rows include Receipts, Disbursements, Board of Works, Salaries and Allowances, etc.

estimated increase in fines, from \$50 to \$175. Receipts 1915 \$2,000.00, 1916 \$2,250.00.

Disbursements. Board of Works 5,000.00, Salaries and Allowances 16,757.68, Interest 15,977.00, etc.

Mrs. Jos. Francis was persuaded to temporarily return to her former occupation today and took charge of the Junior 4th grade at the public school, as supply for Mr. Book, who is on the sick list.

Wives of the men insured by the County Council some time ago, are being billed for renewal premiums, as the council has dropped the insurance.

Oscar Clark resigned from the police force and wishes to be relieved from service at once. Mr. Clark has been on the beat only a few months and was doing wide-awake service on the night end of the job.

GERMAN DREAM LOST IN NORTH SEA BATTLE. Hope of Invading England Dissipated by Heavy Naval Losses.

London, June 8.—One result of the North Sea battle of last week, is that for many months it will be impossible for the Germans to attempt naval movements which they might have undertaken before the battle was fought, said A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, in an address which he delivered yesterday.

In his speech, made before the British Imperial Council of Commerce, Mr. Balfour said it was impossible, at the present, to go into details of the battle, as he had no connected view of the whole action from any authentic source.

Mr. Arthur Drummond who died from typhoid fever has just occurred at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, was a son of the late Sir George A. Drummond, former president of the Bank of Montreal.

# STORE NEWS J. M. Young & Co. STORE NEWS

## We Have the Goods at the Right Prices!

Save on Dress Goods. 54 in. wide Coating Serge, in Navy and Copenhagen. Worth to-day \$1.25. Sale price 75c. 4 pieces Silk and Wool Taffeta Cloth, in small check, in Brown, Reseda and Alice. Worth \$1.00. Sale price 65c.

Save on Summer Underwear. 10 dozen Ladies' and Misses' Cotton Summer Vests, short and no sleeves, all sizes. Sale price 2 for 25c.

Save on Wash Suits. Ladies' and Misses' Palm Beach Wash Suits, coats made in Norfolk and flaring style, skirts to match with sport pocket, sizes 16 to 40. Sale price \$12.50, \$11, \$10, \$8.50 and \$8.00.

Save on Parasols. Ladies' Steel Rod Parasols, taffeta tops, natural wood handles, good strong frames. Sale price \$1.00.

Save on Sunshades. Ladies' and Misses' Fancy Sunshades, On sale \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00. Children's Fancy Parasols. 75c, 50c, 25c.

Save on Children's Middies. Children's White Middy Waists, plain and trimmed, all sizes. Sale price 75c and 50c.

Save on Fancy Collars. 25 dozen Fancy Collars in Organdy, Crepe, Lace, etc., all the latest New York styles, big variety to choose from. Sale price 75c, 50c, 25c.

Save on Bath Towels. Plain White Bath Towels, 22 x 44 size, good heavy quality. Worth 75c pair. June Saving Price 50c.

Save on Cotton Sheets. 5 dozen White Cotton Sheets, 72 x 90 size. Worth \$1.50 pair. June Saving Price \$1.00 pr.

Save on Night Robes. Fine Night Robe Cotton, 40 in. wide. Worth 20c yd. June Saving Price 15c.

Save on White Voile. 36 in. wide, good wearing quality. Worth \$1.50. Sale price \$1.00.

Save on Children's Middies. Children's White Middy Waists, plain and trimmed, all sizes. Sale price 75c and 50c.

NOT CERTAIN YET ABOUT FORT Vaux. Place Long Since I-tled and Used as O-vation Post.

Behind Fort Vaux the garrison who struggled bravely amidst its shell sweep but military critics assert possession would be of little to the enemy. The fort has long since dismantled and is regarded as an observation post.

A pastor ousted from church because he kissed a fashioner, is going to New reach.

FOR SALE. House with all modern conveniences, for quick sale residential district Brantford, west front on Dufferin Avenue, and entrance on Egerton. House has four bedrooms, good sized hall, dining room and all rooms downstairs have gut floors. Cellar has ent floor and separate rooms. Rooms nicely furnished. House to be sold complete with handsome light fixtures, blinds, doors and windows, etc. for immediate occupancy. Apply Mr. J. E. B. 94 Ne

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The Rev. Charles M. Granderson (colored), president of a North Carolina university, and temperance orator, convicted in Washington, D. C., of intoxication, was fined \$10.

Captain Herbert Jay Hershinger, of the United States Marine Corps, was shot and killed when the American force landed and occupied Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, on May 31.