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Well Outside That Three Mile Limit And French Cruiser Ensures Neutrality

BALTIC FLEET IS DIVIDED TWIXT KAMRANH AND CALLAO

Admiral Jonquieres Returns to Saigon Saying There's Been No Breach of Diplomatic Usage,

Saigon, French Cochin-China, April 21.—Admiral Jonquieres of the French navy returned last evening from Kamranh Bay on the torpedo boat destroyer Takou, and announces that he left in Kamranh harbor a cruiser and five torpedo boats to insure neutrality. He confirms the statement that certain ships of the Russian Baltic squadron are in the outside bay, but will not disclose whether they are battleships or cruisers, or whether any of the ships belong to the main fighting fleet of Admiral Rojestvensky. The admiral did say there had been no breach of diplomatic usage. The Russian warships are well outside the territorial three-mile limit for which France is responsible because of its colonial rights in Annam. Admiral Jonquieres sailed from Kamranh Bay at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, and this establishes the fact that the Russian ships are not on their way to Formosa.

It is assumed here that the remainder of the squadron will be found off Calao Bay, where three battleships, several cruisers and a torpedo fleet were observed last Monday. Undoubtedly they are awaiting the arrival of Admiral Nebogatoff's ships, reported as passing thru the Straits of Sunda last night. Position of Rojestvensky's squadron now makes it appear that there will be no sea fight involving the entire squadron for a week or ten days to come.

It is not regarded as likely that the Russian admiral will take the northeast route, which would bring him along the coasts of Hainan and Hongkong, were he to advance that way on Formosa. He would then be reported almost every hour to the Japanese, and so when he takes his departure he will probably sail southeast toward the Philippines and take the middle ocean course toward Japan. No Japanese cruisers or other warships have been reported since Tuesday night, when Admiral Togo's flying squadron was seen north of the Paracels Islands, about 240 miles from Kamranh Bay.

DIANA TO DISARM.

Orders have been given for the disarmament of the Russian cruiser Diana, which took refuge under one of the coast forts in August, 1904. She has undergone important repairs to essential portions of her machinery, which now will be handed over to the French authorities here.

Despatches under date of Sept. 6, 1904, stated that the French minister at Tokio had informed the Japanese government that the Russian cruiser Diana, which sought refuge at Saigon on Aug. 20, after having taken part in the battle of Aug. 10, off Port Arthur, would disarm. It appears from the foregoing despatch from Saigon that the disarmament of the Diana was not effective at the time previously indicated.

ARMY TO THE FORE.

Tokio, April 21.—The situation of the Russian fleet is regarded here as hopeless. Its position is accurately known in every respect, and every move that it may make from this time forward will be with the knowledge of Admiral Togo and the other chiefs of the Japanese navy. The first sea battle undoubtedly will occur whenever the Russian admiral begins his journey toward the Formosa Straits, as the attack by Uriu's flying squadron is sure to be made northeast of the Paracels Islands. There is a strong Japanese fleet in these waters, and the only channels by which Rojestvensky can make his way toward Vladivostock are well patrolled by the swiftest scouting ships in the navy.

The greatest interest centres now in the movements of the army. There seems to be no doubt that the movement against Kirin is progressing rapidly, and that important results may be expected within a few days that will for some time challenge world wide attention to the land forces in Manchuria. The announcement in a bulletin this afternoon that a Japanese force with guns has appeared southwest of Changchun is the most important development in the last 24 hours. It means that the left wing of Oyama's army has begun a movement on Gunshu Pass, the most westerly end of Gen. Linevitch's army.

A turning movement at this point if successful would prevent the retreat of the Russians on Harbin and force them back east toward Kirin, on which point Gen. Kuroki's detachments have been marching with success for five days. The Japanese advance is now so well developed that Gen. Linevitch must bring most of his army into action, or again take up his retreat northeast and into the mountains.

BRITISH CRUISER READY.

Hong Kong, April 21.—There is noticeable activity among the vessels of the British China squadron. The armored cruiser Hogue has been ordered to be in readiness to proceed to sea at two hours' notice with full steam.

ST. PETERSBURG IGNORANT.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—The latest word received of Admiral Rojestvensky is the despatch from the agent of the finance ministry at Shanghai, saying the squadron had passed thru the Straits of Formosa, but the authority given by the agent for his statement is considered doubtful.

The admiralty profess a good deal of scepticism regarding all the despatches from the far east reporting the location of the Russian vessels, pointing out that false news is likely to be set afloat deliberately. The officials here neither deny nor affirm the report that Rojestvensky is still at Kamranh Bay.

Nothing has been heard from the fourth division of the Russian squadron, commanded by Admiral Nebogatoff. Most of the naval men express the opinion that Rojestvensky will not await a juncture with Nebogatoff, but will allow this weaker division to trail behind him.

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DELCASSE.

M. Delcasse Now Says He Will Resign

Announcement is Severe Shock and Premier May Succeed in Changing His Intention.

Paris, April 21.—After a notable service of nearly eight years in the direction of foreign affairs, Theophile Delcasse to-day informed the president of the Council Rouvier of his desire and intention to resign.

This announcement came as a surprise and shock to M. Delcasse's colleagues, who immediately took steps to endeavor to secure a reconsideration of his determination. A cabinet council was held, at which M. Rouvier laid the situation before the ministers. It was unanimously decided that the interest of the country required that M. Delcasse retain his portfolio.

Accordingly, M. Rouvier proceeded to the Quai D'Orsay, where he conferred with the minister of foreign affairs. Voicing the wishes of President Loubet and the ministers, M. Rouvier earnestly besought M. Delcasse to retain his place in the cabinet.

It is evident that M. Rouvier's earnest appeal caused M. Delcasse to waver in his determination. M. Delcasse, he said, had promised to reserve his determination until to-morrow. It is believed that M. Delcasse will withdraw his resignation.

The Reason Why.

The motives leading up to M. Delcasse's sudden determination to retire are primarily attributed to international controversies over French neutrality in the far east. The opposition headed by Socialists and Nationalists have directed their criticisms on M. Delcasse. It is felt that his retirement now would be hailed in Germany as a German triumph, and this is one of the considerations leading M. Rouvier to earnestly appeal to M. Delcasse to remain in the foreign office.

Conference to Decide.

The announcement concerning M. Delcasse's intention to resign was but one of the many incidents in a day of much anxiety thruout government circles. Following close on the heels of the complications with Germany over Morocco, the Franco-Japanese incident suddenly assumed serious proportions and unusual energy was shown in preventing its embroiling France in complications in the far east.

In order to secure definite co-operation between three departments of the government, namely, naval, colonial and foreign, a conference to-day was held between leading representatives of each department. This brought about a clear understanding regarding the measures necessary for the maintenance of the neutrality of Indo-Chinese waters.

HON. MR. SUTHERLAND'S ILLNESS.

Hon. James Sutherland will, it is greatly feared, never again be able to leave his room.

Suffering from a dangerous form of Bright's disease, which has now affected his heart, it is said, the minister now lies at his palatial home in Woodstock in a condition which gives his physicians no hope for his recovery.

Only his nearest friends are being admitted to his room.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Board of control, city hall, 10.30.
East York license commissioners, Clyde Hotel, 11.
Labor deputation, parliament buildings, 1.
Ontario Graduate Nurses' Union, Normal School, 2.
Friends' Association, 141 College-street, 2.
Laying St. Paul's (Presbyterian) corner stone, 3.

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ROJESTVENSKY IS ORDERED TO ACT VERY CAREFULLY

Assurance of Delcasse Calms Situation, Tho Chamber of Deputies Will Discuss 3 Questions on It.

Paris, April 21.—As a result of communications between the governments at Paris and St. Petersburg, the Russian government has forwarded urgent orders to Admiral Rojestvensky rigorously to respect the neutrality of French waters. This is a precautionary measure. In addition, special instructions have been sent to the Governor General of Indo-China, M. Beau, and Foreign Minister Delcasse has instructed the French minister at Tokio to give the Japanese minister for foreig naffairs assurances that it is France's purpose to preserve strict neutrality.

Japan's representation has had the effect of bringing the Franco-Japan incident into the front rank of public attention. The leading newspapers here adopt the government view that Foreign Minister Delcasse's assurances calm the situation.

Deputy de Lanansen (Rep.), the former minister of marine, and at one time governor of Indo-China, says in the Siecle: "We cannot ignore the fact that the Japanese people are greatly excited by the war, and that public opinion may drive the Tokio cabinet to take extreme action. We therefore insist that the Rouvier ministry rapidly adopt steps in conformity with the interests of France and the maintenance of peace."

Fear a Drag.

The Humanate (Socialist) says: "If the impending naval battle occurs in Indo-Chinese waters and the Russian squadron seeks refuge in our ports, then France may be suddenly dragged into a conflict in spite of herself that would mean war, and the government which, thru feebleness or blindness, permitted such a catastrophe to occur would bear one of the most terrible responsibilities history has known."

Three notices have been given in the chamber of deputies of questioning the government concerning the observance of neutrality. M. De Pressens (Socialist) and M. Vaillant (Blanquist Socialist) will ask the government that measures be taken to guard the neutrality of French waters in the far east. M. Delaucle (Republican), representing Cochin-China in the chamber, will address a question to the minister of the colonies, asking what measures he intends to adopt to assure the maintenance of neutrality of the waters of Indo-China. The minister has accepted this debate for to-morrow.

Want to Know Where.

The Temps says the instructions sent to Governor-General Beau require him to report the exact location of Admiral Rojestvensky's ships, whether they are or are not within the three-mile limit.

DISCUSSED IN LONDON.

London, April 21.—All the government offices were closed to-day and most of the officials were out of town making it almost impossible to secure an official statement regarding Great Britain's contemplated or actual action in connection with the neutrality question in the Indo-Chinese waters.

The question was discussed yesterday between Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, and Foreign Secretary Lansdowne.

Sir Francis Bertie, the British ambassador to France, left London this morning for Paris, and it is considered likely that he is the bearer of special instructions.

JAPAN RESENTFUL.

Tokio, April 21.—The Japanese regard the Kamranh Bay incident with growing feelings of resentment. The Nichi Nichi to-day asserts that the evidence is conclusive that Admiral Rojestvensky is using Kamranh Bay as an actual naval base for belligerent action.

The Jiji insists that use of Kamranh Bay enhances Admiral Rojestvensky's fighting capacity and offers facilities for warlike preparations. If from the complications grave consequences result to Russia, France will be responsible.

A former cabinet minister said: "If France gives Russia the use of Kamranh Bay why cannot England allow us to use Hong Kong?"

WILL STAY OUTSIDE.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—No representations have been made to Russia thru the French embassy here on the subject of Admiral Rojestvensky's stay at Kamranh Bay.

The following statement was made:

"If Rojestvensky is still at Kamranh Bay or contemplates remaining there until Nebogatoff joins his ships he will remain outside the three mile limit as he did during his long stay off Madagascar.

"Japan's protest is in the nature of a warning. The facts yet remain to be established."

NOTE TO U.S.

Washington, D.C., April 21.—A note from the Japanese ambassador was presented to-day to Secretary Taft, who, after reading the note carefully, forwarded it by mail to Secretary Loeb for transmission to President Roosevelt. This is done merely for information, for the note itself requires no action at this stage by the United States government. It is deemed best not to make public its text here.

IF CRETE IS FREED FROM TURKEY BULGARIA WILL STRIKE OUT TOO

Prince Ferdinand Inclined to Declare a Kingdom Without Consent of Powers, and So Complicate Matters.

Vienna, April 21.—Despatches from Sofia say it is declared in political circles that if Crete should be annexed to Greece the Kingdom of Bulgaria will immediately be declared.

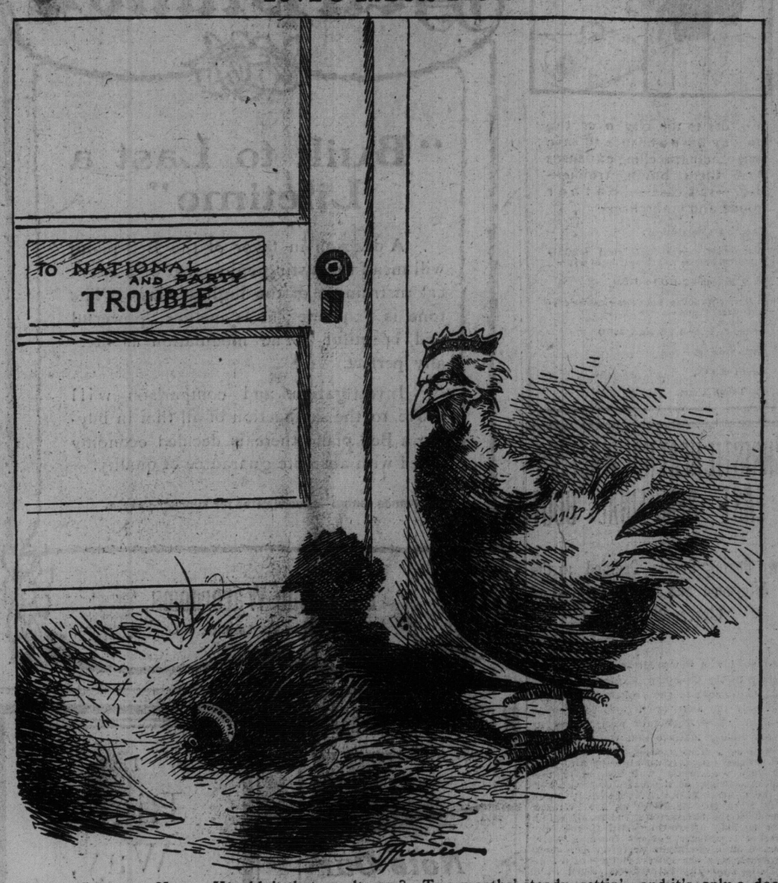
The action of the Cretan chamber of deputies on April 20 in unanimously declaring in favor of the union of Crete with Greece has aroused much interest here; but it appears to be the opinion in official and diplomatic circles that the four protecting powers of Crete will not at present permit of a change in the status quo.

It is believed, however, that if the powers treat Cretan aspirations indulgently it will have a disquieting effect in Macedonia and Bulgaria. If Crete should be freed from Turkish sovereignty, which is no more than a formality, it is argued that Prince Ferdinand would at once declare the Kingdom of Bulgaria without assent from the powers, which his recent visits to Berlin, London, Paris and Rome failed to secure.

The Porte's sovereignty over Bulgaria is no stronger than over Crete, and Bulgaria would dare just as much as Crete and be encouraged to proceed if Crete should be successful. This is advanced as the principal reason why the powers will not agree to the Cretan aspirations.

The gendarmerie and foreign troops now in Crete are thought to be sufficient to preserve order there.

LOVE'S LABOR LOST.



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PRISONER DIVES FROM TRAIN BUT GOV. SPARKS AGED 62 ALSO WENT THRU THE WINDOW

Passengers Gave Brown Chance for Liberty Near Oshawa —Caught in a Few Minutes.

The story of this break for liberty on Thursday night, as told by Oshawa Chief of Police Pengelly, indicates that the attempt was one of the most daring and sensational in all the records wherein a prisoner has made a bold bid for freedom. Furthermore, it singles out Governor W. J. Sparks of Sandwich Jail as an official with courage of a rare temper, and a high ideal of duty.

The prisoner, William Brown, a young fellow of 24, says Chief Pengelly, was beside him on the way to Kingston, seated in the coach with the governor, Deputy Sheriff Rumbull of Sandwich, who formed an added guard, was in another car as the train moved out of Oshawa Junction. The prisoner was, of course, manacled. In the coach was a small party of travelers who appeared to be somewhat under the influence of liquor. One of this party, speaking to the prisoner, advised him that, if he wished to escape the proper way would be by the window.

Suddenly the man who had so addressed Brown interposed himself between the prisoner and his guard, exclaiming: "Now's your chance!" Brown at once took a dive thru the open window, like a bather taking a header from a spring-board.

Guard Followed Him.

"It's a wonder both men weren't killed," remarked Chief Pengelly by way of comment on the governor's action following the unceremonious exit of Brown. The train had hit the downgrade that slopes away from Oshawa Junction, and was going at from 15 to 20 miles an hour. Governor Sparks, who is 62 years of age, didn't hesitate, but plunged thru the window. As he picked himself up, he heard the clank of the prisoner's irons and, looking up, saw Brown making off. A chase of a couple of blocks and the latter was again in the meshes of the law. He passed the night in Oshawa Jail, under the watchful care of Chief Pengelly. Yesterday morning he was taken to Kingston. The only injury he sustained was a slight strain of the muscles of the leg. The governor is suffering from shock, but is otherwise unhurt.

Who the party of men were who incited Brown to try to escape is not known, nor whether they were associates of the prisoner. It is thought that their action may have been a drunken freak.

His Second Break.

Brown is not a novice at making a dash for liberty. He escaped from Windsor Jail about ten days ago, ran on foot 25 miles, and covered 200 more on horseback, landing up at Niagara Falls, where he was caught. He is to serve four years for burglary.

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YESTERDAY WAS HORRIBLE BUT TO-MORROW'S TO BE FINE

Snow Fall in Many Parts of Province—Came From Wyoming —Mild Easter Sunday.

Good Friday proved to be a most wintry day—snow began to fall at 12.30 a.m., and continued at intervals during the day. The stormy weather was general thruout Ontario, in the Georgian Bay and in Upper Ottawa the snowfall was very slight, whilst in Ottawa City only two small storms occurred. The storm did not extend beyond Lake Simcoe. In Montreal the snow at noon was about two inches deep, but, with the sunshine it soon disappeared. The storm came from Wyoming across the Western States, with wet and sleety snow, it extended south and west of Montreal, a little further west it appears to have ceased.

The various temperatures were registered as follows: Washington 82, New York 76, Philadelphia 80, Winnipeg 32. Last year the last snow fell on April 20.

To-day the weather will be fine, with an equable temperature—the atmosphere will be somewhat cool—not more than 48 degrees.

To-morrow—Easter Day—will be fair and very mild. This will enable those ladies who have expended various sums of money on Easter millinery to bring their floral headgears out. Many would have turned out in full Easter costume yesterday had the weather been propitious. The clerk of the weather now appears to be in a good mood, and fair weather is anticipated for Sunday and Monday.

One firm in the city stated that 300 more purchasers than last year have purchased at the store for Easter millinery and dressmaking. This fact shows that Easter as a holiday is gaining a sure footing in Canada, and will no doubt be looked upon in the near future as a general public holiday.

The elaborate floral and other decorations which many retail stores now display is another indication of the growth of the holiday sentiment.

SKULL FRACTURED—MAY DIE.

Man Found Unconscious, Badly Injured Early This Morning.

Shortly after 1 o'clock this morning John Colestock, 132 Centre-avenue, was found unconscious on College-street. He was taken into Dr. McKeown's, College-street. His skull is so badly fractured that there is not much chance of his surviving. How he received the injury is not known. He is about 27 years of age.

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TORONTO MAN IS TAKEN IN AS RODNEY MURDER SUSPECT

Spent Night There, But That's All—Detectives Sure Murderer Was Friend of Family.

Provincial Detectives Mahoney and Campau yesterday arrested a Toronto man at Jeanette's Creek, about thirty miles east of Windsor, on suspicion of being the Rodney murderer. He is Prestage P. Clark, who had been working as a laborer on Front-street in the burned district.

The only mark to identify him with the murderer was a slight scratch on the face. Clark has a number of relatives in the city, there being three brothers and three married sisters, all respectably connected, and they were much agitated last night over the despatches from Windsor. While none of them could give any details as to the brother's recent movements, they could not believe that he was guilty of the crime, and proposed to take active steps to secure his release.

Clark was born in Toronto 26 or 27 years ago. He is unmarried, and until about six weeks ago boarded on Albert-street, where his brother James is now residing. He has two other brothers and three married sisters living in the city, his father now being in the old country on a visit. The "suspect" is about five feet six inches in height, and weighs probably 150 pounds, being quite stockily built. He is slightly humpbacked, but rather good-looking. He had a slight moustache of a dark shade when last seen here by his relatives.

WAS NO STRANGER.

Rodney, April 21.—(Special.)—Very little new light was shed to-day on the murder mystery. All the clues have been exhausted, and the detectives have very little to go on. Word of the arrest of Prestage Clark at Jeannette Creek reached the officers to-night and he will be brought here to-morrow for examination. The man says he spent the night of the murder in Tom Hutchinson's planing mill, and that he left the next morning. The mill is 1 3-4 miles south from the scene of the murder. Nothing is expected to develop as a result of the arrest.

Provincial Detectives Rogers and Greer were with Mrs. Covell for two hours this afternoon, and to-night they pointed out that they were getting more evidence each time they went. To support the theory that the murderer was someone that lived in these parts years ago is the fact that the murderer thought Miss Lowery, the dead woman, was Mary Taylor, who died over a year ago. Had the murderer been a present resident the officers point out that he would have heard of her death.

The use by the murderer of the names of Tom Barlow, John Head and the old couple's nephew, Benjamin J. Covell of Bismarck, is alos put forth as a circumstance to strengthen the theory. To-night another nephew of Mrs. Covell was examined by the detectives and allowed to go.

Provincial Detective Greer goes to London to-morrow to attend the Loomis murder preliminary investigation. The prisoner, Clark, the detectives say, may be the man who was driven to Ridgetown as stated by a farmer on Wednesday after the murder. The farmer will see him to-morrow.

PRESTAGE CLARK

15 DIE IN CONVENT FIRE CAUGHT IN UPPER STOREY

Holocaust Near Beaconsfield, Que., on Thursday Night—Ten Victims Young Girls—4 Aged Women.

Montreal, April 21.—(Special.)—The fatality at St. Anne de la Pocatiere, when seven of a family were wiped out by fire, was followed this morning by an awful disaster near this city. Fire broke out at an early hour and reduced to ashes the convent in the beautiful little Village of St. Genevieve. One nun, twelve children and four old people who occupied an adjoining hospital perished in the names. As soon as fire was discovered bucket brigades were formed, and every possible effort made to save the building, but the fire had gained too much headway. The inmates, aroused by smoke, attempted to grope their way out of the building. Notwithstanding all efforts, there was a deplorable loss of life. One of the nuns, in heroic endeavor to save the lives of the children in her charge, succumbed. The pupils who were lost were in a portion of the building where the fire had obtained too great headway before the alarm was given to enable those who responded to effect a rescue.

The building was a grey stone structure, handsome in appearance, massive in character, and, with the church, it formed a central feature of the little village of St. Genevieve, in the parish of Jacques Cartier County, on Riviere des Prairies. It is three miles from Pt. Claire. In addition to the convent and church there are a couple of hotels, numerous stores and butter and cheese factories in the village. An effort was made to get Pt. Claire by telephone, so that they could get help from Montreal, but for some reason they could not be raised. Meanwhile the fire spread with fearful rapidity.

Started in Hospice.

The fire started in the old ladies' hospice, and the smoke was so thick that the children on the floor above were unable to get downstairs. The origin is unknown and probably could only be told by lips now sealed in death. Sister Mary Adrienne, superior of the ill-fated convent, confessed her utter ignorance of the cause, as also did the other sisters rescued. One of the inmates, Mrs. Mernier, let fall some remarks which might show how the fire originated, but she was in such a state of excitement that nothing coherent could be obtained. The general explanation is that one of the old city boarders, alone during the night, let a match fall.

One of the older sisters was first to notice that something was wrong just before midnight, when she was awakened and her room was heavy with smoke. Her cries awakened the sisters. The sleeping quarters were divided; some were downstairs and others were located in the upper floors. The convent was three storeys high. Those in the lower floor attempted to go to the floors above, but great volumes of smoke drove them back. The sisters in the upper floor appear, however, to have been quickly aware of the fire, and Sister Marie de Jesus spread the alarm by ringing a bell, calling all in the dormitories to arise.

Jumped for Their Lives.

The sisters then warned the pupils in the other apartments and ordered them all downstairs. Some ran all the way down, others half way, and came back screaming with terror. One of the pupils on the second floor, Miss Paiement, broke one of the windows, and she and

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"NOT WITH ENTHUSIASM WITH SOME RELUCTANCE"

Mr. Sifton is Silent as to World's Story, But House Utterance May Prove Veiled Confession

Ottawa, April 21.—(Special.—The full force of The World's revelations as to Mr. Sifton's resignation from the cabinet and the nature of the pressure put upon him to compel his acceptance of the amended educational clauses of the autonomy bill will not be discovered until parliament shall have reassembled after the Easter recess, and the principals to the drama are once more face to face in the full light of public life. At present the holiday season, a time of political dullness, finds Ottawa deserted by members and ministers and steeped in the inertia of a general political relaxation.

The Ottawa papers published no evening editions to-day, but around the hotel corridors The World is in lively circulation to-night and its inside story of recent political events actively canvassed. It is doubtful, however, if either The World's revelations or the stir it is already causing will obtain mention in the newspapers of the capital. They seem to be imbued with the simon pure laissez faire spirit where the affairs of high personages are concerned, no matter how closely such affairs may be co-related with the public interest.

Mr. Sifton positively declined this evening to make any statement upon the subject, and of course the minister of justice is equally reticent.

As an indication of the spirit in which the story is received may be quoted the observation of a leading Ottawa club man upon reading the article to-night.

"There is every evidence that the story is substantially well founded. We well know the history of the social scandal referred to, and Mr. Sifton's course since his return is very plausibly accounted for by The World's theory or story, call it what you will. The moment I read it there came to my mind the words Sifton used in stating his acceptance of the compromise clauses of the autonomy bill. His words were, I think, that he gave his support to the bill, 'not with very much enthusiasm and with some degree of reluctance.' There is a confession of coercion about this that The World probably furnishes the clue to."

HON DR. REAUME'S DOUBLE LANDED IN POLICE CELLS

Claiming to Be Montreal Merchant, Locked Up on Charge of Fraud.

Hon. Dr. Reaume, minister of public works for Ontario, can now sleep peacefully and without fear of being frequently notified that his order for millinery, bon-bons and jewelry would receive prompt attention. The man who impersonated the minister in numerous stores was arrested yesterday by Detective Kennedy. He gives his name as Jos. Rheum, Montrost-avenue, Montreal. He is about 40 years of age, with dark moustache and hair turning gray. He resembles Dr. Reaume very much in features and expression, but is stouter and not as tall. Rheum claims to be married and to have a family and says he is a merchant.

Rheum was locked up on the specific charge of defrauding C. H. Dorenwend out of $19. It is claimed he purchased a belt, tendering in payment a cheque on La Banque Nationale, Montreal. The cheque was returned marked "no funds." When Dorenwend saw him and asked to have the cheque made good, Rheum got very indignant, threatened to chastise him and vowed vengeance against the bank for daring to refuse his cheque.

It is about three weeks ago that Rheum visited several Yonge-street stores and ordered goods, claiming to be the minister of public works for Ontario. These goods were to be delivered at a Church-street house, but as no one lived there of that name the goods were refused and the merchants were out nothing but their trouble.

After the exposure of his efforts in this direction the prisoner left his boarding-house on Church-street, and has since been drifting around the hotels and imbibing freely. The "double" will appear in court this morning and will be remanded until further evidence is secured of his impersonation act.

MARRIAGES.

RILEY—DEVINS—On the 20th inst., at the home of the bride's father, Emery, Ont., by the Rev. G. L. Powell, B.A., Miss Rilla Devins, only daughter of John R. Devins, Esq., to Mr. William A. Riley, second son of William Riley, Esq., all of Emery.

FLANAGAN—MAGUIRE—On Thursday, the 20th of April, 1905, at the residence of the bride's mother, by Rev. Hepman Moore of Weston, Ont., Alberta Margaret, youngest daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Maguire of Weston, to C. Edward Flanagan of Mount Dennis, Ont.

DEATHS.

GRAY—On Thursday, April 20th, 1905, at 32 St. Alban's-street, Thomas James, eldest son of the late Thomas Gray, aged 49 years.

Funeral service at St. Luke's Church, Monday, April 24th, at 3 p.m. Interment at St. James' Cemetery.

MORRISON—Mrs. Morrison, wife of Mr. W. Morrison, 46 Wright-avenue, at 4 p.m. yesterday afternoon. The service will take place to-day (Saturday), at the house, at 2.30 p.m.

SAUNDERS—At his late residence, 286 Bathurst-street, on Friday, April 24th, 1905, Mark Saunders, in his 74th year.

Funeral private, Monday, April 24th, at 10.30 a.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

STUART—At his late residence, 90 Peter-street, on Saturday, April 22, Henry C. Stuart, aged 32 years, only son of the late Charles J. Stuart.

Funeral notice later. Banffshire, Scotland, papers please copy.

The F. W. Matthews Co. Phone M. 257 Private ambulance service. 36

NEW CLOTHES—BAD CHEQUE.

John W. Gowan Will Go to Ingersoll on Fraud Charge.

John W. Gowan was arrested yesterday by Detective Kennedy at the request of the chief of police of Ingersoll. He is wanted there on a charge of obtaining a suit of clothes by false pretences. The cheque he gave in payment was worthless.

Gowan was arrested last fall on a charge of defrauding W. S. Roberts, 216 Yonge-street, of $22. The case was settled. Gowan was arrested at the Empress Hotel. An officer from Ingersoll will take him there to-day.

Dineen's Raincoats.

Ladies' raincoats in cravenette, heptonette and tweeds. A complete assortment affording a wide range of choice as to style and design.

Medium weight tweed effects, comfortable and dressy mannish coats in mixed blues, greys and browns. The particular garment for street wear in the early spring when there is chill in the air.

Select designs in cravenette and heptonette raincoats, Leg-o' mutton, pleated and combination sleeves. Box and semi-fitting back with pleating and strapping. Yokes and shoulder and epaulett ecapes. Dineen's, corner Yonge and Temperance-streets.

FAIR AND MILDER.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Light winds; fair and milder.

Furniture polished, desks cleaned out, offices put in order for the season. Toronto Window Cleaning Company, Limited, 59 Victoria-street. Phone M. 1413.

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Tunisian	Halifax	Liverpool
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