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## UNITED STATES REFUSES TO SUPPORT DIAZ REVOLUTION IN MEXICO

### Evanturel Must Resign His Seat in the Legislature—Canadian Northern Officials Again at Ottawa—No British Elections This Year

#### PENSIONING TOO COSTLY TO BE PRACTICABLE

Finance Minister Estimated That Proposed Old Age Pensions Would Cost Government at Least Twenty Millions a Year.—Strong Pleas by Advocates.

OTTAWA, March 4.—The house of commons put in the day discussing old age pensions upon a resolution offered by Mr. Kite of Richmond, N. S., declaring that, in the opinion of the house, the government should at once inaugurate an old age pension system. There was a slim hope and not a great deal of interest was manifested, but all the members who spoke endorsed the general principle involved in the resolution.

Finance Minister White declared, however, that there was no public demand or public opinion in Canada to justify such a radical innovation. He admitted that the Dominion Parliament took little interest in social reform legislation, but attributed this to the fact that such legislation was more properly the concern of the various provinces. Moreover, Canada was now passing thru the constructive stage when her resources were heavily taxed and large borrowings abroad were necessary. The financial outlook involved in an old age pension system he was disposed to regard as prohibitive.

Seven Millions Yearly.

Mr. Kite in supporting his resolution declared that the government would pay an old age pension of two dollars per week with an annual expenditure of \$7,000,000. He argued that if the government had millions to spend in subsidizing railways it could afford the comparatively small

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#### MURRAY TO COMMAND TROOPS IN S. AFRICA

Is Descendant of Col. Murray, in Whose Arms Wolfe Died.

LONDON, March 4.—Sir James Wolfe Murray, a descendant of Col. Murray, in whose arms General Wolfe expired, has been appointed commander of imperial forces in South Africa. Sir James, who is in his sixtieth year, distinguished himself in the South African war.

#### MARECHAL MAY REPLACE MONK

Casgrain Also Possible Choice—Two May Succeed Coderre and Nantel in Cabinet.

OTTAWA, March 4.—There is already considerable speculation here respecting Mr. Monk's successor as member for Jacques Cartier. Either L. T. Marechal or Thomas Chas. Casgrain will be the choice of the government. Both these gentlemen have been prominently mentioned as likely to be called to the cabinet before the next election to replace Hon. L. Coderre, secretary of state, and Hon. Mr. Nantel, minister of inland revenue.

At the time of Mr. Monk's resignation as minister of public works it was rumored that Hochelega would be opened by the appointment of Mr. Coderre to the bench, and that Mr. Marechal would come into the cabinet. There was some doubt, however, as to whether Mr. Marechal could carry Hochelega at that time, and in the end Mr. Coderre became secretary of state.

#### BRITISH STEAMER TOWED INTO PORT

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 4.—The British steamer Riversdale, from Port Arthur, Texas, for Rotterdam, which went ashore near Little Island life saving station on the night of Feb. 29 was floated today and towed to this port.

#### ENVOYS OF DIAZ GIVEN CHILLY RECEPTION

Request That United States Support Revolution Given Curt Refusal at Washington—Information Regarding Foreigners Killed in Mexico is Being Gathered.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Altho Great Britain's reluctance to press the Benton case at this time has made the Mexican situation less acute, there are several aspects of it which it is now practically certain will occasion spirited debate in the senate in a few days.

It became known tonight that facts and data concerning the number of foreigners killed in Mexico since armed revolution began there, is being gathered by the state department for the foreign relations committee, who is expected to present official records about conditions in the southern republic. It was reported that Senator Fall of New Mexico would open the debate with a speech pointing to conditions in Mexico, past and present and urging a change of policy.

Incidentally the new Mexican senator today presented to the foreign relations committee, Pedro Del Villar

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#### TWO ICEBERGS SEEN BY CREW OF CUTTER

Seneca, U. S. Government Boat, Reported Result of Patrol.

HALIFAX, N.S., March 4.—The United States revenue cutter Seneca, which since Feb. 19 has been employed on ice patrol on the north Atlantic, arrived at Halifax today, and will remain until the tenth. Captain Johnson reported that on Feb. 28 they had seen two bergs, one medium and the other small, in latitude 42.45 and longitude 49.08.

#### CREW OF SCHOONER PICKED UP SAFELY

Eleven Men Who Escaped When Porter Foundered, Are on Steamer Storstad.

PHILADELPHIA, March 4.—Captain Anderson of the Norwegian steamer Storstad, bound from Lisbon for this port, reported from Reedy Island tonight that he had on board the crew of the schooner, Mattie W. Porter, who were picked up yesterday 170 miles southeast of Absecon. Nothing was said of the fate of the schooner, but it is believed she foundered during the recent blizzard. The Porter, a 28-ton vessel, carried a crew of eleven men and hailed from Somers Point, N. J.

#### EXTENDED TOUR INTERRUPTED BY POLICE

Robert Little Arrested on His Way to England on Charges of Burglary in Berlin From Where He Escaped After Struggle With a Policeman.

At the request of the chief of police of Berlin, Robert Little, a Western Ontario railway man, was arrested in Toronto last evening, on several charges of house and shop-breaking, said to have been committed in Berlin a month ago.

Burglaries committed in three jewelry stores, a hardware establishment and private residences are believed to have been committed by Little. Two weeks ago, in a desperate struggle with a Berlin policeman, Little managed to escape from the hands of the Berlin police, and headed for Toronto. Since that time the police all over Ontario have been on the lookout for him.

When arrested at the Toronto Union Station by Detective Taylor, Little was all prepared for a getaway to England. He had transportation right thru to the old country, and all his belongings in a suit case. He also had considerable money in his pockets.

#### ASQUITH CLINGS FAST TO OFFICE

Ministry Will Finish Full Term, Says Party Organ—Home Rule Bill Today.

LONDON, March 5.—The Daily Chronicle, which enjoys in a large measure the confidence of the Liberal government, declares today that despite assertions to the contrary the government has no intention of dissolving during the present year, and that the ministers anticipate finishing out their full five year term.

The government, according to The Daily Chronicle, will introduce today (Thursday), for their first readings during the present session, the Irish home rule, the Welsh disestablishment and the plural voting bills, and expect to carry all three of them before the expiration of its present term of office.

Tremendous interest is being taken in Premier Asquith's announced statement for Monday on the Irish home rule bill. Seats in the house of commons already are being held at a premium. All factions believe the premier will offer the Ulster counties temporary exclusion from the act.

Ladies to the Front.

As a reminder of the visit to Toronto of Mr. Tom Ferriss, every lady purchasing a reserve seat at the special Dickens matinee Saturday at the Princess Theatre will be presented with a souvenir copy of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

#### HEADS OF C. N. R. CAMPAIGNING AT OTTAWA

Mackenzie Says Government Knows What Railway Wants and Has Been Supplied With Facts and Figures Which Justify Request—C. P. R. Chief Opponent.

OTTAWA, March 4.—Sir Wm. Mackenzie, Sir Donald Mann, Z. A. Lash, K. C., W. H. Moore, secretary of the Canadian Northern, and William Sloan, one of the Canadian Northern, arrived today and an aggressive campaign is on. Sir Wm. Mackenzie had no comment to make upon Finance Minister White's statement in the house yesterday that no application for assistance by way of a loan had been made to the government by any railway company.

"The government," he said, "knows what we want, and is in possession of the facts and figures which justify our requests."

Opposition Less Vigorous.

Sir William did not commit himself when asked about the report that the company would be offered a bond guarantee by the government in lieu of a loan, but it is generally understood that a loan is asked and that the application is meeting with less opposition from private members than had been anticipated.

It is said that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is leading the fight against granting financial aid to the Canadian Northern, and the prospective duel between the two great corporations is the principal subject of conversation tonight in Ottawa.

#### FIERCE RIOT AT LABORITE RALLY

Militant Suffragettes Started Battle in Which Hair Was Pulled and Faces Scratched.

LONDON, March 4.—Militant suffragettes tonight gave further proof that their bitterest animosity is reserved for the Labor party; the only political party which has espoused their cause. As soon as J. Ramsay MacDonald, chairman of the Labor party, began speaking at a Labor party rally in Memorial Hall, suffragettes in all parts of the chamber, aided by a number of male supporters, started to howl him down.

Women ushers had been engaged to deal with women interruptors of the meeting and males to take masculine disturbers, but as "bouncers" for their own sex the women proved failures, and the men had to take over their duties. For nearly an hour a fierce struggle raged in the hall. There were frequent free fights between men while women grabbed one another by the hair and scratched faces and tore clothing. Windows were smashed and chairs broken during the disorder.

Eventually the police were summoned to restore order and Mr. MacDonald made a chance to finish his speech. In concluding he said that if the vote could be gained for women by turning out the government the Labor party would assist them. The worst enemy to the women's cause, he declared, were the militant suffragettes, of whose methods the people in the hall had just had a striking illustration.

#### SILK HATS.

We are in a position to supply you with the very latest English silks, made by such renowned makers as Henry Heath of London, Eng., who is sole maker of hats for his majesty and for many crowned heads of Europe. We are sole agents for Henry Heath and can announce that a shipment of these hats arrived on Monday last and included besides the silks a select assortment of Heath Derby and Alpine hats. The W. and D. Dineen Company, 140 Yonge street, corner Temperance.

#### TWO MEN ARE ON TUG IMPRISONED IN FLOES

Little Vessel in Danger of Destruction in Bonne Bay, Newfoundland.

HALIFAX, March 4.—The captain and crew of the American naval tug Potomac, with the exception of the engineer and fireman, arrived at North Sydney today and left by tonight's train for Boston.

The tug is still in the ice off Bonne Bay, Nfld., and there is still danger that she may be crushed or sunk by the heavy floes. The engineer and fireman are still on board.

#### THIRD LIGHTER WILL BE BUILT

Polson Iron Works Gets Contract From Dominion Government for Hudson Bay Service.

The Dominion Government has awarded the Polson Iron Works another contract for the construction of a steel lighter for service in Hudson Bay. The company is already constructing two lighters for work there and the three will be identical in build, with a length of 128 feet, beam of slightly over 21 feet and a draft of 10 feet. Each will cost about \$55,000. The first will be finished about the end of May and the last early in July.

The first of six steel scoops being built for the Quebec harbor commission was launched yesterday. The total contract is about \$140,000.

#### CUP AND ADDRESS FOR CAPTAIN INCH

Hero of Volturno Disaster Honored by Citizens of Nova Scotia at Halifax.

HALIFAX, March 4.—The presentation of a silver cup and an address on behalf of the citizens of Halifax to Captain Francis Inch, hero of the Volturno disaster, took place this afternoon at the city hall. Mayor Bligh made the presentation, and Lieutenant-Governor MacGregor gave an address. Officers of the military and naval departments received invitations to attend, and in addition, a large number of citizens were present.

#### UNLIKELY TO ALTER POSTOFFICE PLANS

Hon. Robert Rogers Not Apparently Enthusiastic Over Toronto's Proposal.

OTTAWA, March 4.—A delegation including Mayor Hocken and members of the Civic Guild of Toronto had an interview this afternoon with Hon. Robert Rogers with regard to the proposition of rounding off the block, of which the greater part has been acquired, for the purposes of the Toronto postoffice. The plan is for the city or the government to buy more property and then have the postoffice building shifted to Church street; the other part would be used for a public park.

Hon. Mr. Rogers stated simply that the proposal would be looked into. It is reported that the minister's view is not very favorable to the scheme. He takes the position that the expropriation already has cost a million, while the buildings will cost much more. The space acquired will be sufficient for the public requirements for many years, and further outlays on the scheme are consequently deemed unnecessary.

#### MONTREAL WILL HAVE NEW VAUDEVILLE HOUSE.

Structure Will Replace Old Orpheum Playhouse, is Announcement Made.

MONTREAL, March 4.—Announcement was made today by the Canadian Theatres, Limited, the London, Ont., organization controlling the Orpheum and the Gayety Theatres in Montreal, that a modern vaudeville house will be built here to replace the Orpheum. This is taken as an answer to the announcement of the intention of the Progressive Burlesque Circuit, represented by F. W. Stair of Toronto, to build a new amusement place in Montreal.

#### EVANTUREL MUST RESIGN FROM THE HOUSE

Legislature Made It Plain That the Only Course Open to Him is to Resign His Seat—His Statement Was Not Satisfactory to Government or Opposition.

The Ontario legislature has made it plain that the only course now open to Gustave Evanturel of Prescott is to resign. The long-expected explanation came from him yesterday at the opening of the afternoon session, but beyond expressing his regret at the affair and apologizing to the house and the members for a slur he never thought of giving, the matter seemed ended as far as he was concerned. The government, however, thought otherwise, and the Opposition stood in line behind in suggesting that the indignity he had caused could only be required by his withdrawal from his seat. This was the opinion advanced by Hon. J. J. Roy for the government and supported by the Opposition with clapping of the desks.

The letter itself brought considerable surprise to the membership of the house, and the attendance in the galleries showed a keen interest in the outcome on the part of the general public. It began with the excuse that the word "alliance" was used mistakenly, his lack of knowledge of the English tongue having been responsible. He had not understood the

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#### NEW PLANS TO PACIFY ULSTER

Asquith May Give Each Irish County Right to Vote on Exclusion.

LONDON, Thursday, March 5.—A. P. Nicholson of The Daily News, in his political notes this morning, says: "The cabinet decided yesterday what should be the home rule compromise to be put before the Unionist party on Monday. Briefly, the prime minister's suggestion will be that any county in Ireland which makes a demand after the passage of the home rule act, but before the Irish Parliament is summoned, shall have the right to take a vote of the electorate within the county. If a majority favors continuation from the act that county shall be excluded for a term of years, probably."

"This proposal, it will be seen, is not confined to Ulster, but is general in application. A scheme for some administrative autonomy, known as 'home rule within home rule,' variation of postal arrangements or of customs, the suggested increase in Ulster representation in either house of the Irish Parliament—all these ideas which have been widely discussed during the winter have gone definitely by the board."

#### SHIPBUILDERS TO RECEIVE SUBSIDY?

Premier Gave Encouragement to Large Deputation Which Asked Aid.

OTTAWA, March 4.—The reply of Hon. Mr. Borden to the delegation which waited upon him this afternoon in regard to a shipbuilding subsidy was very favorable. The premier stated that he and his cabinet have a strong sympathy with the proposals which have been made, and were very favorably impressed with the representations. He asked that they be embodied in a formal memorial.

The delegation included Thomas Long, Captain McDonald, R. E. Wallace of Port Arthur, J. Sward of Kingston, J. P. Miller of Toronto, F. L. Miller of the Vickers Maxim Company, Thomas Hall of Montreal and George Davie of Quebec.

Emphasis was laid on the fact that the plants represent a heavy investment which desires government support.

### "SHTEP QUICK AN' AISY, DARLIN'"



As a reminder of the visit to Toronto of Mr. Tom Ferriss, every lady purchasing a reserve seat at the special Dickens matinee Saturday at the Princess Theatre will be presented with a souvenir copy of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."