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This ad. is an education in economy and you should be interested in this sale.

BRITISH AT NEW CHWANG

Gunsboat Espionage Will Be Withdrawn From Harbor.

London, March 16. — In the House of Commons this afternoon Earl Percy, under secretary for foreign affairs, confirmed the statements that the British station gunboat Espionage will be withdrawn from New Chwang immediately after the river is opened, as the vessel would be in considerable danger in the event of hostilities, while her presence there would afford no effective protection for either life or property.

The secretary went on to say that the United States and British consuls had requested that the women and children leave New Chwang, and doubtless they would give similar advice to all American citizens and British subjects if circumstances rendered it advisable. His majesty's Government had already addressed representations to the belligerents, requesting them to take the necessary steps to safeguard the interests of British subjects.

ARE A HOUSEHOLD WORD.

Splendid Cures Have Made Dodd's Kidney Pills Popular in Prince Edward Island.

Dartley, P. E. I., March 14.—That Dodd's Kidney Pills are a household word all through Prince Edward Island is not to be wondered at, when one hears of the remarkable cures of Kidney Diseases credited to them. And one of the many is that of John J. Burns, of St. John's, this town, a well-known member of the I. O. P.

"For over eight years," says Mr. Burns, "I suffered from what the doctors pronounced Chronic Inflammation of the Lungs and Kidneys. I got so bad I could scarcely walk, sit, or sleep. Doctors' medicine did not help me, and I was just about in despair when I was led to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I am now cured and thank Dodd's Kidney Pills for saving my life."

THE "SOO" WAGES

Public Accounts Committee Looking Into the Matter.

Toronto, March 17. — The public accounts committee of the Legislature yesterday began an examination of the accounts for payment by the Government of the wages of the men of the "Soo" companies.

A letter was read stating that A. H. Chitty, of the Soo companies, could not be found to be notified. Col. Matheson protested that Chitty was evading the notice and treating the committee with contempt.

The Soo managers of the Traders' Commerce and Imperial Banks were

called, but only R. A. Lyons, of the last-named bank, was examined. Lyons knew nothing of the merits of the claimants, simply acting as agent to pay whatever claims the solicitors for the Government authorized.

A motion was made to compel the attendance of Messrs. Worthington and Dawson, officers of the company, to tell how the constituent companies were formed.

An amendment was carried calling on the men named to appear and explain the claims that had been paid. This was moved on the grounds that there was no business of the committee how the companies were constituted.

The committee, one member stated, was not a meeting of creditors.

WANT BAR ABOLISHED

The Ontario Alliance Demands Immediate Legislation.

Toronto, March 16. — The executive council of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance met here today to consider what action should be taken in view of impending temperance legislation by the Local Legislature. G. F. Marten, ex-member for Toronto, presided, and in his opening address strongly condemned those who counseled delay in legislation. He believed that the men who came forward with a definite proposal for dealing with the worst features of the liquor traffic would sweep the country at the next election. The alliance believed in total prohibition, and had a right to expect at least some severe restrictive measures from this Government.

After considerable debate the following resolution was carried unanimously:

"That the emphatic declaration of the will of the electorate, expressed in the plebiscite and the referendum, and the definite promises of successive Provincial Premiers, warrant us in expecting and demanding immediate effective legislation; and this meeting therefore calls upon the Government to introduce into the Legislature during the present session a bill providing for the abolition of the bar-room, the treating and drinking in clubs, and the imposition of such other restrictions on the liquor traffic as shall most effectually curtail its operation and remedy its evils."

Another resolution, "That this meeting believes it to be the earnest desire of the temperance electors of this Province that the representatives of both parties in the Legislature shall advocate and support legislation such as has been above set out," also carried unanimously.

The question of calling a provincial election was left to the chairman and secretary, on the understanding that in case the Government introduce any legislation dealing with the liquor traffic the convention shall be immediately summoned.

Belfast is the great tea-drinking city of the United Kingdom.

WHY THE JUDGES WERE NOT THERE

Absence at Opening of Parliament Explained.

THE DEBATE IN THE SENATE

Opposition Criticism of Government Ably Answered by Hon. R. W. Scott.

Ottawa, March 15. — "The tempest in a teapot" aroused in connection with the absence of the supreme court judges from the opening of Parliament was ventilated in the Senate today, when the Speaker made an explanation. He stated that on March 2 he received a dispatch from the chief justice asking if the practice of last year would be observed this year. He replied on March 3 that his impression was that the committee had directed the removal of the woodcock, and the judges would sit with other officials. On Thursday when the chief justice attended he noticed that the woodcock was in its place. That evening he met one of the judges, who seemed to think that the Speaker was to blame. The Speaker reminded him that the woodcock was in its place, but the judge said they had had no official notice. As he (Mr. Speaker) had had nothing to do with its removal or replacing of the woodcock he did not feel to blame, and told the judge that if he spoke to the Secretary of State the requisite notice would be given. The judge did not do this, however. Owing to the oversight of a clerk cards were not sent to the judges themselves, but only to their wives and daughters. Hon. R. W. Scott said it was a pure accident, and no one was to blame.

The Secretary of State resumed the debate on the address, and compared the state of the national finances under the late Government with that which now prevailed. In 1898 Mr. Foster did not see how he was to get over the deficit. Now there was not only no deficit, but a surplus. He claimed that the Government were losing ground, and that majorities had been reduced. He would not deny the opposition that the Government had been 42 by-elections. Of these the Liberals had carried 34, a pretty good sign the country was with them. The outcome of the Alaska matter confirmed the wisdom of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's claim, that where Canadian interests are concerned Canada should manage the negotiations and appoint her representatives. Mr. Ferguson had no right to complain of the Government when they were powerless and when they had protested. Referring to the Grand Trunk Pacific amendments, Mr. Scott said that the Government were anxious to get the line as soon as possible and to obtain the best road.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell said that as the Government had prepared for a general election it would have been well for them to have been well prepared for the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme to the people. It was evident that the North Saskatchewan was the real belt, and he would support any scheme for tapping that country. That was the idea of Mr. Hay's first bill. The present Government had new belts, with their branches, would supply the settled country, and he advocated the new line tapping the unsettled country. He could not help congratulating the Government on their optimistic views, which he contrasted with the expressions of the late Sir Charles Tupper proposed the C. P. R. He entirely denied that the Government could claim any credit for sending troops to South Africa; that belonged to Sir Charles Tupper. The debate was adjourned.

Mr. Wm. Morissette's Condition Was Considered Hopeless by Able Physicians.

Mr. William Morissette, of Roxton Pond, P. Q., was given up by some of the best doctors in the United States for a long time. He was brought to Canada, and writes about his cure: "Having been given up to die some time ago by several of the best doctors in the United States, I came to Canada last autumn terribly ill, and had lost all hope. Suffering agonies from inflammatory rheumatism I was strongly urged to use Paine's Celery Compound. I gave it a trial as recommended, and the first bottle did me so much good I continued with the medicine until I had used seven bottles, when I found myself perfectly cured; indeed, I never felt better in all my life than at present. I use every possible means to tell others of Paine's Celery Compound, and will always recommend it to those troubled with rheumatism."

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If you are sick and desire free medical advice, write to "Consulting Physician," The Wells & Richardson Co., Limited, 200 Mountain St., Montreal, P. Q.

TELLS BY YOUR IRIS

Whether You Are Troubled by the Gout or the Quinsy.

Tilsit, Prussia, March 16. — A "nag-nag" named Schreoter has been on trial here for irregular medical practice, and his examination has resulted in an extraordinary display of efrontery and credulity.

It appears that Schreoter was in the habit of using a curiously-cut lens for detecting human ailments. This lens was encircled in a broad silver frame, on which were engraved the names of the various parts and organs of the human frame. The order of these



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names followed the order of the lines in the iris, which corresponded with the separate human organs. It is necessary to explain that Schreoter maintains that every organ and member of the human body is represented by lines in the iris.

When the glass was held up to the iris Schreoter asserted that he was able to tell by the changing color of the lines in the iris whether a member of organ was affected, much as the president of the court remarked, on the principle of the spectrum.

Schreoter asserted that he could tell by examining a healthy person's eye whether he had previously suffered from disease, and whether with what drugs he had been treated.

No less remarkable than Schreoter's method of detecting human ills was the statement made by Dr. Steinglasser, a physician of general repute and the head of a large sanitarium, near Berlin. This doctor declared that there was something in Schreoter's eye and glass theory, and that practitioners would do well not to ridicule it!

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MESSALINA'S DENTIFRICE

German Historian Pries Into Secrets of the Beauty.

Berlin, March 16. — The toilet of the famous Roman Empress Messalina has always exercised a great fascination over certain minds, and now a German historian declares that he has discovered the secret of the tooth powder of the Roman beauty.

He has been studying the works of several of the best authorities on the subject, and has discovered that the Empress used a tooth powder made of gum mastic and half an ounce of salmure. The ingredients are to be triturated together into a fine powder, but the recipe does not sound as if it would supplant those in use at the present day.

THE BRITISH COMMONS

Liberal Leader Campbell-Bannerman to Move Censure Vote.

London, March 17. — In the House of Commons last night, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, gave notice that he would move the censure of the Government for the conduct of His Majesty's Government in advising the crown to disallow the ordinance for the introduction of Chinese labor in the Transvaal. Sir Henry may ask that the day be set for debate on his motion.

FAVOR EXISTING LICENSE

Ontario Brewers Oppose Change in Liquor Legislation.

Toronto, March 17. — The annual meetings of the Ontario Brewers' and Malsters' Association was held here yesterday, when the present demand for further temperance legislation was considered. The meeting placed itself on record as unalterably in favor of the existing six-day licenses, with early Saturday closing, and a severe restriction of the enforcement of the existing laws; also that parties convicted more than once of violations of the law should be sent to jail for second or subsequent offense.

The following officers were elected: Sir John Carling, London, president; Hume Blake, Toronto, first vice-president; S. A. Griggs, Walkerville, second vice-president; Eugene O'Keefe, Toronto, treasurer; W. T. Kernahan, Toronto, secretary; E. D. Brown, A. Ballantyne, L. G. Cosgrave, L. Rheinhardt and R. W. Davies, Toronto; D. G. McCarthy, Prescott; R. Stevenson, Kingston; John Labatt, London; H. J. Taylor, St. Catharines; C. N. Kuebler, Berlin; J. B. Waterhouse, and A. Barr, of Waterloo, all executive committee.

TORTURED AND BUTCHERED

Horrible Treatment of Settlers by African Blacks.

Berlin, March 17. — Letters from German Southwest Africa have arrived here giving details of the ghastly treatment of German settlers, 113 of whom were killed outright or tortured to death in the district of Okahandja.

Women, outraged and dismembered, and with pieces of their bodies nailed to the doors of houses, and boys mutilated and left to die slowly, were frequent spectacles. The expeditionary columns, on coming in sight of a farmer's house,



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Very Special—Ladies' Fine Black Sateen Waists, back and front of clustered cording and small buttons, corded cuffs and collar, good jet black. Excellent quality. Special value \$1.00

Fine Luster Waists, fancy front of small and large tucks and small silk buttons, tucked back, nicely finished, new style, one of our own. Rare value, one of our own. Special value \$2.75

Handsome Taffeta Waists, in black, red, cream and blue, pretty front of large and small tucks and small buttons, lined throughout; large puff sleeves; very stylish; good value at only \$5.00

Dainty White Japan Silk Waists, front of large stitched panel pleats, center, front, cuffs, collar, and shoulder straps of Nottingham Valenciennes lace insertion, bound with silk; beautiful quality; new and pretty \$5.00

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