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FACE TO FACE, BUT CAN'T FIGHT

Rival Armies Await Drying Up of Roads.

JAPS ARE POUNDING PT. ARTHUR

Russian Forces Reinforced by 30,000 Men—The Czar's Loss in Officers Heavy.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 21, 1:42 p.m. — The two armies face each other across the Shakhe River, but operations are at a standstill.

The war office has no fresh news this morning, except a list of the losses of Gen. Ekk's seventy-first division of the Fifth Siberian Corps, and Gen. Morazoff's first division of Lieut.-Gen. Dembowski's corps. Each lost half a dozen officers. The official lists of officers killed and wounded Oct. 11 and Oct. 13 totals 172, including Major-Gen. Rabinski, and 17 field officers were killed. The wounded are in the proportion of one to six. The list for the heaviest day's fighting is still unreported, and doubtless will exceed the losses at Liao Yang, when 500 officers were killed or wounded. The losses among the men are not yet reported, but they are thought to approximate not much over twenty thousand.

News from Port Arthur brought to Che Foo by a junk, which left there Oct. 19, says a fierce bombardment, which began Oct. 16, was still progressing without interruption. Many buildings had been damaged, and ships in the harbor had also been hit by shells. The Japanese main forces are now posted at Liudsiatung. They have placed guns of large calibre on Iuunkda Mountain. The Russians continuing making sorties successfully and inflicting heavy losses on the Japanese, whose losses since the commencement of the siege are said to have been 50,000

Fired on Jap Defenses.

Mukden, Oct. 21, 1 a.m. — Towards evening yesterday the fog lifted, and some of the Russian guns at various ponits opened fire against the Japanese defenses, but they did not respond, either from scarcity of ammunition or the desire not to reveal the location of their batteries. The weather and the condition of the roads are now drying hard, which forecasts events in the near future. The war correspondents in the field are kept in the dark, and it is difficult to say when and how this dreadful slaughter will end.

No Fighting Yesterday.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 21. — Gen. Sakharoff telegraphs that there was no fighting yesterday. The armies maintain their respective positions. There are continual reconnaissances on both sides.

Tokio, Oct. 21. — The Japanese at Taku Mountain have dropped a ceaseless storm of shells on the Chinese town at Port Arthur, and many rifle bullets also fell in the place. The Chinaman adds that the fighting was very severe and that the Japanese loss was considerable.

It is asserted that the Russian force at Port Arthur now numbers 5,000 men, including the militia, which is not engaged in the fighting, but in guard duty.

Winter clothing is very scarce at Port Arthur, shoes particularly. The Russian soldiers are wearing Chinese shoes, and some of them are unable to obtain even these, and wrap rags about their feet. The garrison is greatly worn out by the many months' exhausting, anxious labor and fighting. The town is full of wounded. Flour is plentiful, and the slaughter of horses, mules and donkeys continues.

Chinese, who have reached Che Foo from Port Dalny, say that Japanese reinforcements continue to arrive daily. The Japanese confirm this. A junk which reached this port today from Port Dalny was allowed to leave only on condition that she take no coolies, whom the Japanese are using in large numbers in constructing warehouses and removing the dead and wounded. The wounded are taken to the railroad and thence are transported to Dalny from which port they are shipped to Japan.

Fighting on the 19th.

Tokio, Oct. 20, 5 p.m.—Manchurian headquarters, telegraphing yesterday, reviews the situation at the front as follows: "Yesterday the center column of the right army attacked and dislodged the enemy's cavalry holding Tunchiafen, but a small body of the enemy's infantry has returned to that eminence. The enemy continues to hold Fallao eminence. On Oct. 19, two battalions of the enemy's infantry were visible near Kaokwanchia, lying to the right of right army, and they appeared to have supports in the rear. The strength of the latter is under investigation. On the afternoon of Oct. 19 the right wing of the center column discovered two battalions and a battery of the enemy advancing in its front from Tunchiafen to Titi Mountain. They concealed themselves behind Titi Mountain. One brigade of the enemy is located near Fenchiapao. The enemy's guns north of Fenchiapao

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50,000 JAPS KILLED.

Chicago, Oct. 20. — A special to the Daily News from Che Foo says: According to a camp follower who has been for some time with the Japanese army besieging Port Arthur, the number of Japanese killed before the forts has reached 50,000. He says the Mikado's men recklessly attacked the strongest positions, making wild rushes in masses, the soldiers being stripped of their accoutrements and clothing. The result was that the Russian machine guns mowed them down. He also asserts that there is some talk among the officers and men that leads to the belief that the Japanese mean to try to carry the inner forts and citadel this month.

PETERBORO HEARS PREMIER

An Immense Gathering Welcomes Sir Wilfrid.

CARTWRIGHT AT FORT WILLIAM

Rousing Meetings at Petrolea and St. Thomas in the Interests of Liberal Candidates.

Peterboro, Oct. 20.—A audience estimated at five thousand people within the building, and probably nearly as many on the outside clamoring for admission, was the splendid tribute which Peterboro and the surrounding districts offered to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Grand Trunk Pacific project was discussed by the Premier, who, in reply to an inquiry, amid the applause of the audience, said that the Trent Valley Canal having been undertaken, it would be criminal folly not to carry it to completion by giving it an outlet to the Georgian Bay and Lake Ontario, and that the Government would complete it at the earliest possible moment.

En route from Toronto the Premier was accorded a welcome by large crowds at Millbrook and Port Hope, at which places he made brief addresses, appealing to the electors to return Mr. Aylesworth. Special excursions were run from Tweed, Port Hope and Lindsay, which sent a delegation of 300 stalwarts, and intervening points. The streets of the city through which the Premier passed en route to the rink were gaily decorated with flags.

Fort William, Oct. 20. — Sir Richard Cartwright addressed 1,000 people in the auditorium here this evening and was accorded a warm reception. During the day, despite heavy rain, the veteran knight inspected the mammoth elevators, which have doubled in capacity during the Liberal Government's administration. In the afternoon he visited Fort Arthur, where he met Mr. Conmee, the Liberal candidate and a number of other prominent citizens.

Petrolea Oct. 20. — The first public meeting of the present campaign in Petrolea was held in Victoria Opera House tonight, in the interest of Mr. John Cowan, the Liberal candidate.

Upon rising to speak Mr. John Cowan (the Liberal candidate) was presented with a handsome bouquet of roses by little Miss Tena Mackenzie, while the large audience gave him such an ovation as would cheer the heart of any man. Mr. Cowan gave the oil men a most positive assurance that, if elected, he would ever guard their interests with all his strength and ability. He then paid a tribute to the businesslike manner in which the Laurier Government had managed the country's affairs. He resumed his seat amidst a great outburst of enthusiasm.

St. Thomas, Oct. 20. — The first mass meeting of the campaign in St. Thomas was held tonight in the Duncombe Opera House in the interests of the Liberal candidates for West and East Elgin, when an address was delivered by Hon. Wm. Paterson, Minister of Customs. The opera house was filled and the audience most enthusiastic. Dr. Leitch, president of the West Elgin Liberal Association, occupied the chair.

The first speaker was Mr. Peter Stewart, candidate for West Elgin. He referred to the fact that his opponents in the county were asking that he should not be supported because he was a railway man. He said he had been born and worked 32 years on a farm, but had been compelled to leave it and seek work on a railway because of the policy of the Conservative Government. He asked for support, not only because he was a farmer and a railway man, but because he would support the Laurier Government. He predicted victory in the west, and said he had no doubt of his election. He would come to the city with 300 majority.

Mr. W. F. Hepburn, reeve of Yarmouth, the Liberal candidate for East Elgin, also delivered an address reviewing general and local issues. He was sure that on Nov. 3 he would be elected over A. B. Ingram.

Hon. Wm. Paterson, who was hoarse, and evidently somewhat fatigued, delivered an eloquent address of about an hour's duration, reviewing the prospects of Canada under Liberal rule and going fully into the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway matter.

Hon. Senator Wilson spoke briefly and the meeting closed with the usual cheers.

IS KUROKI DYING?

Reported That the General Suffers From Dysentery.

London, Oct. 21.—Under date of Oct. 19 the correspondent of the New York Herald, Francis McCullagh, says: A Japanese who was found in the trenches was brought before General Cossavich and I acted as well as I could as interpreter. The man said his name was Skeda Sakuji, and he came from Shikoko. He belonged to Oku's army, and had, he said, remained in the trenches to attend his mortally wounded brother. The Russians admired his bravery. They admit that the Japanese are the best soldiers in the world. It is reported that General Kuroki is dying of dysentery. Tuesday was rainy.

CASE FELL THROUGH

Magistrate Thought Both Parties Were to Blame.

A charge of abusive language preferred against Hodge Duncan, by a man named Wells, engaged the attention of Magistrate Love this morning. The two men had indulged in some words in a neighbor's yard. Both were to blame, the magistrate thought, and the case was dismissed, without costs.

Thomas Doyle, who claimed to come from New York State, was charged with vagrancy, and also with breaking into a bonded G. T. R. car in the county. He will be tried by Squire Smyth on the latter charge.

Two young men charged with being drunk and disorderly were fined $1 each.

An old man, who goes by the odd name of "English Dicky," was remanded for a week on a charge of indecent exposure.

Eddyings of the Battle of Yentai.

Chloroform for Heiress In Streets of Ruthven

Ruthven, Ont., Oct. 21. — Some unknown man attempted to chloroform Mrs. John Scram last night. When she was within a few feet of her own door a cloth was thrown over her head and a sponge containing chloroform held to her nose. Her son was attracted by her screams, and came out of the house, frightening away her assailant. Mrs. Scram claims to be one of the heirs to an extensive estate in Montana, and she believes that her assailant wished to kidnap her in order to prevent her from appearing in Montana to claim the estate.

IT LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER GRAB

Uncle Sam Seizes the Customs Houses of West Indian Republic.

New York, Oct. 1. — Under the terms of the commission of arbitration, following the provisions of the protocol between the United States and the Republic of Santo Domingo, for the settlement of the claims of Santo Domingo Improvement Company of New York, and its allied companies, it is believed that the custom house in Puerto Plata was turned over to an American last Monday, says the Herald. The cable line to Cape Haytien has been broken and no cablegrams have been received for several days, except those dated last week, which were taken to Cuba by sailing craft and filed there.

One commission house in this city received yesterday a cablegram saying: "United States taken possession of custom house, Puerto Plata. Stop shipments."

At the office of the Clyde Steamship Line, which runs between Santo Domingo and this country, no news of any such movement has been received. At the office of the Santo Domingo Improvement Company, it was said, the cable advices were expected today, and it was asserted that the transfer of the custom houses and revenues was a friendly act, and that probably no armed force had been landed at Puerto Plata. Unofficially, it was stated that probably President Morales had decided that it was to his personal interest that the revenues, which are almost wholly custom dues, should be administered by an American. Under the native administration there are such opportunities for diversion of funds that the executive would receive in the end a larger sum than if native officials remain in charge.

Under the award the United States was to appoint a financial agent, John T. Abbott was chosen to see that terms of the award were carried out. It is understood that he has seized the custom houses in Puerto Plata, Sanchez, Samana and Monte Cristi. It is believed that in Puerto Plata he has appointed J. C. Strickland, the deputy financial agent as his representative to collect the revenues.

The consul-general of Santo Domingo, Senor L. Leonte Vasquez, a brother of Former President Vasquez, said yesterday that, apparently, the inevitable had happened. Santo Domingo was unable, under present conditions, to pay the stipulated sum of $37,500 each month, beginning with September of this year, and being in default, the custom houses had been seized by the financial agent of this country. It is thought the collector representing the Morales Administration, resigned when called upon, and turned over his office to Mr. Strickland.

TOO MANY JEWS IN U. S.

Zangwill Fears That an Anti-Semitic Feeling May Develop.

New York, Oct. 21.—Israel Zangwill, the author and playwright, accompanied by his wife, who was Edith Ayrton, the English authoress, have arrived here on the Teutonic from Liverpool. Mr. Zangwill comes primarily in the interest of the Zionist movement.

"I want to solicit the sympathy of the leading Jews of America in the movement. We must stem the tide of Jewish immigration that is pouring into this country, and the Jews must have a place in which to locate. America does not want any more. It is already saturated. A warning has already been received that if many more Jews come here an anti-Semitic feeling may be aroused."

Mr. Zangwill will deliver several lectures in this country.

MORE RUMORS OF CABINET CHANGES

Mr. Stratton May Retire to Devote Himself to Business Interests.

Toronto, Oct. 21. — The Globe publishes the following this morning: A rumor that Hon. J. R. Stratton will shortly follow the course announced by Hon. E. J. Davis on Wednesday, and retire from the Government, and that he will not seek re-election to the Legislature, gained considerable currency on the street yesterday. It was current in circles not at all hostile to Mr. Stratton. His large financial and commercial interests were given as a reason for his retirement from politics. Rumor, having got her tongue awagging, mentioned the name of Mr. Latchford as another member of the Government likely to retire.

This would leave three vacancies for the Premier to fill, and among the names suggested as available cabinet material are those of Mr. Speaker Charlton, G. P. Graham, M. P. P., and Mr. E. F. B. Johnston, K. C.

No confirmation of these rumors can be secured. The Premier is silent, and Mr. Stratton, who was in Peterboro yesterday, declined to discuss provincial affairs.

Overdue Ship Arrives

New York, Oct. 21.—The New York agents of the steamer Buenos Ayres received a telegram today announcing the arrival of that vessel at Havana. She was more than two days overdue and some anxiety was felt for her.

Miscampbell Declines

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Oct. 21.—At the adjourned Conservative convention here to hear Mr. A. Miscampbell's answer to the offer of the unanimous nomination for the Local House, Mr. Miscampbell expressed the regret he felt that he could not accept on account of being temporarily the Conservative organizer. It was decided to postpone the selection of a candidate till a future date.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Tomorrow—Cloudy and Cooler.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Friday, Oct. 21—8 a.m.

Today—Southwest and west gales; cooler, with occasional showers.

Saturday—High westerly winds; cloudy and cooler.

London, Friday, Oct. 21.

Sun rises..6:39 a.m. Moon rises..4:23 p.m.
Sun sets..5:26 p.m. Moon sets...3:45 a.m.

Toronto, Oct. 20—8 p.m.

Showers have occurred today in Manitoba and the Lake Superior district, while elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine and warm. Conditions are very unsettled from the lakes eastward.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 22—30; Victoria, 50—56; Calgary, 42—54; Qu'Appelle, 34—56; Winnipeg, 30—54; Port Arthur, 36—40; Parry Sound, 50—64; Toronto, 50—67; Ottawa, 46—66; Montreal, 50—66; Quebec, 42—62; St. John, 46—56; Halifax, 38—66.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	30	28	Clear
Winnipeg	38	36	Clear
Parry Sound	48	44	Rain
Toronto	48	48	Cloudy
Ottawa	50	50	Rain
Montreal	58	58	Rain
Quebec	58	54	Cloudy
Father Point	64	56	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The storm is centered in Algoma this morning, and is rapidly increasing in energy, and heavy gales are probable on all the great lakes. Rain fell during the night over the larger part of Ontario and in Western Quebec. In the Northwest indications are favorable for fair, dry weather.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Thursday were: Highest, 65° lowest, 50°.

EARL GREY'S SAILING

New Governor-General Is to Leave England on December 1st.

London, Oct. 20.—Earl Grey, the new Governor-General of Canada, will sail for Montreal Dec. 1 on the steamer Parisian to assume the government.

ENTERED THE NORTH SEA

The Baltic Squadron Passes Out During the Night.

Frederikshaven, Denmark, Oct. 21. — All the vessels comprised in the Russian Baltic Sea squadron passed into the North Sea during the night.

OUR HOGS AT ST. LOUIS

Many Prizes Taken at Fair by Exhibitor From St. Thomas.

Windsor, Ont., Oct. 21. — W. H. Durham, of St. Thomas, has arrived here, with 27 of his prize-winning hogs from the World's Fair at St. Louis. The number of cash prizes taken by the hogs is seventeen, with a total value of $860. Another shipment which has arrived here includes twelve Essex-bred hogs owned by J. Featherston, ex-M.P. of Peel.

The whole of the latter were exhibited at St. Louis and took ten prizes.

RUSSIA AND SWEDEN

Movements of Troops on Frontier Are Causing Uneasiness.

Stockholm, Oct. 21. — Recent movements of the Russian forces on the Swedish border have caused great uneasiness in official circles. It is feared that in order to permit her withdrawal from the far eastern war, Russia is planning to create a dispute with Norway and Sweden and then seize an Atlantic port.

General Horange, former commander of the Swedish forces, is reported to be making a secret investigation of Russian designs.

MIKE WARD WINS

The Canadian Champion Outpoints Kid Farmer, of Chicago.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 21. — At Grand Rapids, last night, Mike Ward, of Sarnia, the light-weight champion of Canada, won a victory over Kid Farmer, of Chicago, knocking the latter out in the sixth round of what was to have been a ten-round fight. Ward had the best of every round although Farmer fought gamely.

Over 700 people saw the fighting, which was under the auspices of the Olympic A. C. Frank Lynch was the referee.

AFTER NESBITT'S SCALP

Opposition in His Own Party to His Candidacy in the North.

Toronto, Oct. 21. — The autocratic methods of Dr. Beattie Nesbitt in managing the Conservative conventions have angered a great many of the party workers, and they have already taken steps to manifest their displeasure by arranging to oppose him in the next Conservative convention in North Toronto, and, if he wins there, to put another Conservative in the field for the Legislature.

The man chosen is Mr. Arthur C. Pratt, of 81 Homewood avenue, a publisher, and ample funds have been arranged for.

ON DESOLATE ISLAND

Survivors of SS. Viking Picked Up After Great Suffering.

North Sydney, C. B., Oct. 21.—Half-starved and suffering intensely from the cold for several weeks, the eleven survivors of the wrecked steamer Viking have been picked up from desolate islands off the coast of Labrador by the tug Douglas H. Thomas, which had been dispatched to their relief. When the men were rescued their condition was desperate.

The Viking was wrecked at Shag Rock, Gross Water Bay, last August. The captain and two of the crew sought refuge on one small island, while the other eight men reached another island. A vessel formerly sent to bring back the Viking's crew was also wrecked.

A CANADIAN MURDERED

Native of St. Pie, Quebec, Meets a Violent Death in Minnesota.

Crookston, Minn. Oct. 21. — Phileas Fontaine, who is supposed to have been murdered at Mentor last Saturday, has been found alive, and has identified the body of the murdered man as that of Joseph Mongeaon, a Frenchman of St. Pie, Province of Quebec.

Mongeaon was seen by Fontaine at East Grand Forks with Joseph Guilmette Saturday. Monday the pair got off the train at Mentor, apparently, for the purpose of hunting, and late in the afternoon of that day the tragedy occurred.

Murdered a Girl

Waterloo, Ill., Oct. 21. — Eleanora Woodcock, 17 years old, daughter of Richard Woodcock, a wealthy farmer, living near this place, has been murdered by an unidentified man, who, finding her alone, cut her throat, and dragged her body to a near-by field, where he placed it under a pile of straw, to which he set fire in an effort to burn the corpse. The girl's body was partly destroyed when found. A large force of farmers is hunting for the murderer.

Hart Decorated

Pekin, Oct. 20.—Sir Robert Hart, inspector-general of Chinese imperial customs, has received from the Emperor of Japan the Order of the Rising Sun of the first class for his services in connection with the commercial treaty concluded between China and Japan.

IS MR. BLAIR'S RESIGNATION PART OF OPPOSITION PLOT?

Conservatives Believed to Have Acquired Much Money to Fight the Government.

MR. TARTE AND MONTREAL HERALD ON THE MATTER

Montreal, Oct. 20.—Hon. Mr. Tarte in La Patrie publishes the following editorial: "The English capitalists who have bought La Presse are also the proprietors of the St. John Times, and perhaps others. Before resigning, Mr. Blair must have known of the combination which had been formed. Mr. Blair has always been a great gamester. The Government of which he was the chief (New Brunswick) was not a party Government—it was Mr. Blair's Government. He has among his friends men of talent like Mr. Pugsley for instance, who has always been considered a Conservative in Federal politics. Mr. Blair is not only a clever politician, but he is a bold financier. It is well known in the circles of the stock exchange that he has at times made some formidable speculations; sometimes he won, sometimes he lost. He plays at politics as he plays at the stock exchange. He does not play the small game."

The article follows with a review of Mr. Blair's latest moves, and calls each a "big stroke." It asks, who are the men with whom he plays?

The Herald publishes the following tonight: The signs accumulate that the Conservative party managers have made up their minds they can and will carry the elections by the free use of money. A few weeks ago, even a few days ago, it was a foregone conclusion that the party led by Sir Wilfrid Laurier would be returned to power. Nobody doubted it. Conservatives admitted it. But within a few days several things have happened, and now Conservatives who claim to know that other things are going to happen are very confident that their party will be returned to power.

What does it all mean? The meaning is very plain. They are using money, and they think they have enough of it, and can do enough with it, to beat the Government, no matter how strong that Government is with the people. Let us follow these developments.

The first was the breaking off of negotiations for the sale of the St. John Telegraph to persons who thought to bring it more into accord with the Liberal organization in New Brunswick, of which it has been nominally the organ. Mr. David Russell, the man of the hour in the Conservative party, decided to hold on to the Telegraph.

Is the Star in It?

The next incident was the passing of the Montreal Star into a joint stock company, capitalized at $1,100,000, of which Mr. Hugh Graham retained $600,000, and $500,000 is held by Mr. Marle, a notary, presumably in trust. There were persistent rumors on the streets that political or semi-political interests had acquired a large interest in the Star. The Star itself explained, just as was explained on behalf of La Presse the other day, that it was an innocent transaction, mainly for the purpose of allowing some old servants to acquire stock. The resignation of Mr. Henry Dalby, who had held an important position in the Star for over 20 years, following shortly after, seemed to discount this theory of benevolence, and half a million seemed to be rather a large interest to put in trust for the purpose; but no matter.

The next incident was the acquisition of the Times newspaper property in St. John by Mr. David Russell again. One result was to put out of independent existence the Gazette, an evening paper, which had been friendly to the Government.

The next incident was the acquisition of La Presse of Montreal, a paper which circulates in every corner of the Province of Quebec. It is much to be hoped that the full details of this transaction may be made public, for by all accounts it was the most high-handed piece of enterprise ever perpetrated under the name of a business transaction. It was not a sale that was contemplated by Hon. Mr. Berthiume two weeks before it took place. It was forced upon him as a result of machinations engaged in by the press of the Conservative organization in Montreal. It was not intended that the public should know about it. It was to take the form, in public announcement, of a simple reorganization for the benefit of employees. Men who are barely suspected of having given out the news have been persecuted all this week, threatened in some cases with the loss of employment, in others with withdrawal of credit. In this case the federal political issue is not the only one involved. It is the main issue, but carries with it, owing to the circumstances of the case, a change in the attitude of La Presse towards the franchise-grabbers of Montreal, who are hereafter to control it. Mr. David Russell also figures in this transaction as a negotiator and financier or financial agent.

The next incident was the resignation of Mr. Blair, who presided at a recent banquet given by Mr. Russell, who claimed Mr. Russell as a protege of his, and who announced, in one of Russell's St. John papers, his intention to renew his attacks on the Government's railway policy. He leaves what is practically a judicial position to accept, at the hands of persons whose identity is concealed, an office of great emolument, and frankly pleads his right to look after his own interests, arguing that if he did not he could not expect others to do so.

That is the last so far, but other incidents are openly hinted at. It has been already affirmed that Mr. Charles M. Hays has resigned. Mr. Hays has denied it by cable, but Le Journal, the organ of Senator Forget, and the French Conservative directorate, protest that this statement is indefinite, that he was not reported as resigning from the Grand Trunk, but that he does intend to resign his position on the Grand Trunk Pacific. We must wait and see what ground there is for this prediction so confidently made not only by Le Journal, but by others who are in the secrets of the Conservative organization, and what it means if true.

Conspiracy of Monopolies.

This much, at all events, is certain: There is a conspiracy in operation, backed by apparently unlimited money, the object of which is to defeat the Government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. We must wait for further developments, but they are assuredly near at hand. There is money to throttle a free press. There is money to induce a judicial officer to come down from the bench. There is money to use against the Government in every way that money can be used against the Government. Its use is directed by the champions of monopoly in Montreal.

It is a clear issue: The record of Canada's greatest statesman against the power of unlimited money to be used in driving him out of office.

When Laurier is here next week Montreal will show him what she thinks of it.

Ottawa, Oct. 21. — Mr. Blair still refuses to divulge his plans. Asked today whether he intended taking a trip east before the elections, he replied, after a pause: "To answer that question would be exceeding the limitations I have placed on myself."

TRAFALGAR DAY IN OLD LONDON

Nelson's Flagship "The Victory" Flew Famous Signal of Naval Hero.

London, Oct. 21.—Trafalgar Day was celebrated today at home and in the colonies with the usual decorations and dinners. Nelson's flagship the Victory, at Portsmouth, was gaily decorated with flags and laurels and flew Nelson's famous signal. The base of the admirals' column in Trafalgar square here was elaborately covered with wreaths, prominent among the floral tributes being one of huge dimensions, tied with the French and Spanish colors, sent by the Navy League "With respect and honor to the memory of the gallant French and Spaniards who fell at Trafalgar."

The Lumsden Will.

Ottawa, Oct. 21. — Application has been made for probate of the will of the late Alex. Lumsden, ex-M. P. P. The estate is valued at $935,042, of which Ontario will get about $40,000 in succession dues.

PETITIONS TO ESCAPE GALLOWS

Edward Slaughter Asks That He Be Given a Life Sentence.

Windsor, Ont., Oct. 21. — Delos R. Davis, counsel for Edward Slaughter, convicted of the murder of John Rudden, and sentenced to be hanged on Dec. 22, has forwarded a petition to the Minister of Justice, asking that the death sentence be commuted to life imprisonment. The document bears 1,000 signatures. A request for a new trial is made as an alternative.

Baptist Finances.

Toronto, Oct. 21. — Reports presented at the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec this morning showed that 27 members had removed or died during the year, 13 were ordained and 4 came in from abroad, leaving a net loss of 10, which was considered a very serious matter. The church's receipts for all purposes totaled $449,000, an increase of $29,000.

Will Oppose Laurier.

Quebec, Que., Oct. 21. — Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be opposed in Quebec East by Dr. Michael Fiset.

Kaiser's Troops Barred From Using Walfish Bay

Berlin, Oct. 21.—The Government has asked Great Britain to permit Germany to use Walfish Bay for the landing of troops and supplies for the war against the natives of German Southwest Africa. The British Government has refused positively to grant the request. Walfish Bay is the only good harbor for a thousand miles along that coast. It lies near Sakopmund, the port of entry to German Southwest Africa. Sakopmund is a difficult harbor to enter. Great Britain's refusal will, it is asserted, interfere seriously with Germany's military plans in Southwest Africa. Cable dispatches nearly every day bring news of some small German reverse in Southwest Africa. News was telegraphed last night that the German station at Nomtsas had been captured by the Hottentots.