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NOTICE

Is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session...

BILIOUSNESS

bosses many a body and burdens many a mind. You can't enjoy the food you like because you are bilious.

A. Swager, Tezakana, Tex., writes: "For fifteen years I have used Ayer's Pills, and find them very effective in bilious complaints."

WAR CLOUDS ARE ALL DISPERSED

Germany's Difficulty With China Over Chan Bay Reported to Be Amicably Settled.

Great Britain and the Chinese Loan - German Warnships Arrive at Port Said.

Pekin, Jan. 5.—The Kiao Chau difficulty was settled yesterday at a conference at the Tsung Li Yamen (Chinese foreign office), which made the necessary concessions. Details are expected.

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NOTE: Is hereby given that 60 days after date the undersigned will make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 100 acres of land situated on the west side of the Arm or Slough thereof...

ANY PERSON wishing to send the Victoria-Bonnie to their homes will please furnish a list of the names and addresses to F. E. Worthy, Board of Trade Building, and will be mailed free.

AWFUL TRAGEDY IN LONDON, ONT.

The Crowded City Hall Collapses and Death Reaps a Rich Harvest.

Long List of the Dead and Injured—The Terrible Scene Described by Eye Witnesses.

Men Fought Like Fiends in Their Frantic Endeavors to Escape from the Sickening Pit.

London, Ont., Jan. 3.—A third very terrible tragedy was added to the city's record of disasters to-night, by the collapse of the city hall, causing deaths to the number of 29 or 30, with probably many more to die from injuries received.

It was a gathering to listen to the successful and unsuccessful candidates for the mayoralty. The hall was old, but supposed to be sound, though it had not been used for dancing lately.

At the time of writing the number reported dead is 29, and it is estimated that the number of injured is at least 150; many of them are hurt fatally.

The scene in the hall was indescribable. People went half mad trying to get out. The cry of fire started, and the police and firemen were quickly on the spot, and as soon as the horrible situation was realized the services of both were used in carrying the dead and wounded to the hospital.

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The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon refers to the "ascendancy of money" over the "matted list," and says:

"Great Britain's vessels are anchored off Chemulpo and at Port Arthur, thus quietly implying that Great Britain will have a voice in any future arrangements."

Continuing, the Pall Mall Gazette remarks: "Aside from the Japanese, nations like the United States, whose interests are purely commercial, are well disposed towards our government and opposed to trade exclusiveness."

Mr. Ernest Terah Hooley, who negotiated with China simultaneously with J. Pierpont Morgan and other syndicates not concerned in the present loan, said to-day:

"The Chinese take more dealing with than any other people on earth. I had my loan of £10,000,000 all agreed upon with China and the money arrangements were practically completed in London. According to the terms I paid a deposit of £100,000 into Lloyd's bank, which Linton Clarke, Stanley Boulter, John Barker and myself put up a quarter each. China demanded that a deposit be put up in Peking to the order of the Chinese government. Then I stopped. Had I done so, they would have used the money and then if any hitch arose we would have lost it for years. The Chinese are not good enough. No loan can be a success unless the government take a hand. The government should do it, and promptly."

Port Said, Jan. 5.—The German warships Deutschland and Gefion, under command of Prince Henry of Prussia, have arrived here on the way to China.

I had the rheumatism so badly that I could not get my hand to my head. I tried the doctor's medicine without the least benefit. At last I thought of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It is equally good for sprains, swellings and lameness, as well as burns, cuts and bruises.

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CANADIAN NEWS.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—It is now stated that the Dominion government will not take over the Drummond County railway. Intercolonial trains were to have been running into this city January 1st, but are not yet doing so.

Mr. Macleaur, for many years a leading citizen of Toronto, where he was a publisher, representing the house of Black & Sons, of Glasgow, died yesterday, aged 82 at the residence of his son-in-law, D. Burke.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—The election returns here to-day resulted in the return of Mayor Shaw, by a vote of: Shaw, 12,002; and E. A. Macdonald, 8,416.

Edward Hanlan, the outsmar, was elected alderman in Ward 4.

The citizens voted on the question of abolishing tax exemptions, and decided to that effect by 11,331 to 1,175.

NEWS OF VANCOUVER.

Imposing Masonic Funeral Given the Late David Oppenheimer.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 4.—(Special)—An imposing masonic funeral was given the late David Oppenheimer this afternoon.

The Masonic hall was filled with brethren during the service. The procession to the depot was attended by the mayor and council, school trustees, employees of the city and the leading men of Vancouver.

The C.P.R., feeling that the exemption by-law might be defeated in its present state by a section of the public, have decided to show their earnest intentions by proceeding with the works and will resume negotiations with the city later.

DURRANT GIVES UP ALL HOPE

The Great Murderer Ooily Resumes the Scene of His Death at San Quentin.

Numerous Requests Made by the Condemned Man Concerning His Execution.

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—Contrary to expectations the attorneys for W. H. T. Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont did not appear in the federal court yesterday to renew their efforts to secure a stay of execution on behalf of their client.

San Quentin Prison, Cal., Jan. 4.—Theodore Durrant has reiterated the scene of his death at his own request, made absolutely without emotion. He has therefore been told every incident that will mark the minutes of his last hours of life.

The book and several papers on religious subjects received at the prison yesterday for Durrant were offerings from a woman who now resides in Toronto, Ont. She was resident at Toronto, Ont. She was resident at Toronto, Ont. She was resident at Toronto, Ont.

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure

THAT RELIEF EXPEDITION

Some Mistaken Notions Dispelled—No Danger of Canadian Interests Being Jeopardized.

Mr. Sifton Scored a Distinct Triumph in Securing Bonding Privileges Through Alaska.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—(Special)—A misunderstanding exists as to the Yukon relief expedition and the possible results from the supplies that will go in.

In the first place no person can possibly object to the sending of relief by a civilized government into any territory where starvation is supposed to stare human beings in the face.

The total quantity of supplies, less than two carloads, will be purchased by the United States government by contract, probably in New York. It is thoroughly understood in Washington that no private individual has contracted for any private person will be allowed with the expedition. The United States government is responsible for the single object to the pack train they are sending, namely, relief of distress, and the officer in charge will see that the best of the United States government is not compromised by any one in any way.

Unless reasonable co-operation on the part of the Canadian government had been offered and a neighborly feeling displayed, it is probable that the Canadian government would have been made a party to the removal of the pack train from the Yukon country.

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WEDDING IN HIGH LIFE. Lady Anne Coventry Married to Prince Dhuleep Singh.

London, Jan. 4.—Lady Anne Coventry, the third daughter of the Earl of Coventry, was married this afternoon at St. Peter's church, Bath, to Prince Dhuleep Singh, son of the late Maharajah of Lahore. Lady Anne is a sister-in-law of the Viscountess Deverhirst, who was Miss Virginia Bonine formerly of California, and comes of a good family.

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If You Are Egotistic and Strong. If you are above foolish prejudice against canvassing for Chamberlain's Pain Balm, I will give you \$100.00. The information will cost nothing. I can do good things for you, if you are honorable and will work hard.

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