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COMPLAINTS OF MANUFACTURERS

Makers of Woolen Goods Say Tariff Does Them Much Injustice

FINANCES OF DOMINION Incorrect Report That Marine Officials Were to be Arrested

Ottawa, April 11.—A deputation from the woollens section of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association waited on the government yesterday afternoon, seeking increased protection to that industry. It was stated by the deputation that in spite of the tremendous influx of new settlers in Canada, makers of Canadian woollens are deriving no benefit therefrom, although in many cases the imported goods which were preferred to the domestic make lacked the substantial value of the home product. It was also stated that British exporters are in the habit of dumping woollen goods in Canada at much lower prices than are obtained in the British market. Consideration was promised, and it was understood that the manufacturers on their part would supplement their representations by a memorandum of what they desire.

In view of the fact that the provision made by the government for meeting the shortage of seed grain in the West is more than sufficient to take care of the settlers, although the crop destroyed by frost last year, an order-in-council has been passed, which will allow an extension of the system of distribution of the seed grain, and the sowing no crop last season, cannot well secure supplies of seed this season from any other quarter.

The preliminary statement on revenue and expenditure of the Dominion for the fiscal year ending March 31 last, has been issued by the finance department. It shows the revenue as \$34,785,983,374; capital expenditures, \$28,125,552. These returns, however, are not yet complete, as the accounts of the country for the year in question will not be completed for some months.

The twelve months ending February last was \$64,728,058, compared with \$54,206,609 for the previous year, an increase of \$10,521,449. The total expenditures were \$65,093,374; capital expenditures, \$28,125,552. These returns, however, are not yet complete, as the accounts of the country for the year in question will not be completed for some months.

Chesley Barrister Under Arrest.
Toronto, April 11.—A. D. George, the Chesley barrister arrested on a charge of theft of 300 shares of mining stock from W. H. Hale, a Toronto stock broker, has been released on \$1,000 bail.

FIGHT WITH THIEVES

Calgary, April 11.—On Thursday night the city police were informed that stolen tobacco had been cached in a deserted house in the restricted district across the river. They had a man watching all day Friday, and last night put two men to watch. At 11 o'clock two men drove up and loaded the goods into a buggy. The police rushed there, but the two men had one man got away, and both officers chased the other, shooting over his head to frighten him. He was finally captured and brought to the city. As they started to chase him the other two opened fire, the bullets whizzing around the heads of the officers, but none of them hitting. He fired twelve shots. So far they have not been captured, but the police have a good description. McManus and Sullivan, the policemen are, new men taken on the force. They have their first job when the shooting occurred.

Fighting Tuberculosis.

New York, April 11.—Discussion of means to check the ravages of tuberculosis in New York state occupied the greater part of the session of the State Health Aid association held here today. Joseph H. Choate, formerly American ambassador to Great Britain, and president of the association, who presided, commented on the number of women present at the meeting, and complimented them upon the efficiency of their efforts in behalf of the association, the great part of the organization's work since its foundation having been done by the women, he said.

Smoked in Bed

Vancouver, April 11.—A man named Robert Taylor had a narrow escape from being burned to death in a fire that partially destroyed his domicile at 1571 Westminster avenue early this morning. Taylor apparently had gone to bed under the influence of liquor and had lighted his pipe for a comfortable smoke. He fell asleep and the pipe fell onto the floor. The fire to the carpet. Other occupants of the house were awakened by the crackle of burning wood. The pipe was filled with wood. The fire from No. 3 fire had been soon on hand, but it was with difficulty that they extinguished the blaze. Taylor was found in bed still sleeping. The firemen had a hard time awakening him. He was almost suffocated by smoke. His condition today is satisfactory.

Australian Government Defeated

Melbourne, April 11.—The government has been defeated. Premier Deakin contemplates resignation, but is urged to remain until the tariff is finally passed. If he resigns, Messrs. Lyons and Fisher will probably form a Liberal labor coalition.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—Emperor Nicholas today approved the bill raising the Russian legation in Tokyo to an embassy. The appointment of M. Malevich Matavitch as the first ambassador is regarded as certain.

Ogilvie Company

Ottawa, April 11.—Authority has been granted by letters patent to the Ogilvie Flour Mills company to increase its capital stock from \$3,250,000 to \$4,500,000, and also to permit of its carrying on the business of transportation, warehousing, etc. It may amalgamate with other companies in a similar line of business.

Montreal's Snow Trouble

Montreal, April 11.—City Treasurer Robb has been given instructions by the finance committee to take immediate proceedings against the Montreal Street Railway Company for \$80,000, the amount due on snow removal during the past winter. The company has been disposed to decline full payment on the claim that the work has been done in an extravagant manner.

Wanted Free Ride

Montreal, April 11.—Wm. Sangster has won the attention of the New York police of having murdered Oscar Delorme in the northern part of Montreal last October. He made a statement to this effect a few hours after his arrival from the American metropolis. He declared that he made up the story in order to create a little excitement and also to obtain a free trip to Montreal. He will not, however, be at liberty as he is now accused of having stolen \$120 from a man with whom he lived in this city.

Passed Alleged Bogus Bill

Vancouver, April 11.—James Kelly and A. S. Briggs are in jail on the charge of passing a bogus bill. It is alleged that last night they went into a rooming house and there they passed a bogus bill, which has long since been declared void. There were two bills given together so as to make the appearance of a regulation bill. The men will come before Magistrate Williams on Monday.

GOVERNOR HUGHES NEW YORK FAVORITE

Delegates Instructed to Work
For His Nomination at
Chicago

New York, April 11.—Governor Charles E. Hughes was endorsed at New York's candidate for president at the Republican state convention held today, and the four delegates at large, with their alternates, elected to the Chicago National Republican convention, were instructed to work for his nomination. The delegates at large are General Stewart, L. Woodford, Frederick H. Hazard of Syracuse, and E. H. Butler of Buffalo.

Philadelphia, April 11.—The primary elections of all political parties in Pennsylvania were held through the state today. Each party elected delegates to its national and state conventions, and nominated candidates for Congress and legislature. In addition, all of the sixty-seven counties and nearly all the municipalities in the commonwealth named candidates for various minor offices. The last Republican state convention having endorsed United States Senator Knox for the presidential nomination, there was no contest in that party over its presidential preference. There was a fight in many sections of the state in the Democratic party over the question as to whether the delegation to New York's candidate for president at the convention should be instructed for Wm. J. Ryan or shall refer to the convention without instructions.

JOHN DILLON'S STORY

Places Responsibility for Bloody Work
on His Desire to Marry His
Landlady

Montreal, April 11.—John Dillon, murderer of Constable Shea, in a general hospital this morning, said that for the past four years he had been paying attentions to Mrs. Pritchard, a landlady in the morning of the tragedy. Mrs. Pritchard informed him that she was to be married to another man in the course of the next three months. This threw Dillon into a violent frenzy, and he determined that this would not take place. In reply to this Mrs. Pritchard said she was determined, and ordered Dillon out of the house, but he refused to get out, whereupon Mrs. Pritchard took the matter up with the police.

Returning with the constables, Dillon says, Mrs. Pritchard pointed in the warrant in the hands of one of the constables, calling out to Dillon: "This will fix you. Now you will have to get out of here." "This," said Dillon, "caused me to make up my mind to fight the thing out." It was then that he fired at Constable Foucault, wounding him, and after the first shot fired he lost control of himself and did not care what he did. Dillon expressed sorrow that he had taken any life, but put the whole responsibility on Mrs. Pritchard.

SHIPMENTS OF ORE

Production of Kootenay and Boundary
Districts Over 400,000 Tons
For Year

Neison, April 11.—Following are the ore shipments from the various southern districts of British Columbia for the past week and the year to date: Boundary—Week, 21,953 tons; year, 292,823. Rossland—Week, 5,531; year, 81,700. East of Columbia river—Week, 1,738; year, 35,254. Total—Week, 28,227; year, 408,292.

Wanted in Seattle

Vancouver, April 11.—E. A. Ewing, wanted in Seattle on a charge of forgery, was arrested in Vancouver last night. The police have been looking for him for three weeks, and it is understood that a reward was hung up for his capture. Ewing is accused that he would fight extradition. The arrest was effected by Detective Scott. The officer was walking along Hastings street when he noticed a man whose description tallied with that of

CONSULTATION ON PRIZE COURT

Provision of Hague Conference Needs Further Elucidation

MARITIME LAWS CONFLICT

Powers in Meantime Refrain
From Signing Agree-
ment

Washington, April 10.—Great Britain has extended an invitation to the great maritime powers to participate in a conference in London, preferably next fall, to determine in general definite principles of maritime international law capable of being applied to the proposed prize court provided for at the last Hague conference. The United States will be represented at this conference, according to an announcement at the state department today. While the state department is designated as informal, upon its deliberations and conclusions will ultimately depend the fate of the proposed international prize court.

Should the conference of experts succeed in formulating a code of maritime law, which shall become international by being accepted by the maritime powers, the success of the court would seem to be assured. In the meantime it is predicted in authoritative quarters that all governments will refrain from ratification of the Hague treaty establishing the court. The precise difficulty which the British government has had to have remedied through the conference lies in the existence of "continental maritime law" and "Anglo-American maritime law." The latter is a question of which these systems shall be administered in any given case before the court. It is explained that these two systems differ materially, and would be constantly in conflict in cases before the court.

Should the matter of settling this question be left to the court, its powers would be subject to legislative as well as judicial, a proposition which Great Britain declines to adhere to. Both Russia and Japan decline to sign the prize court agreement at The Hague, and the same was true of the objectionable feature is contained in article 7, which stipulates the law to be observed as interpreted by the court, it provides that the relations between the nation which is before the court as the captor of the prize and the nation which is aggrieved are regulated by the terms of the treaty shall govern the prize in the absence of such a treaty. The court shall apply the rules of international law, and in general shall recognize the rule governing the subject, the court shall give judgment in accordance with general principles and equity. This criticism, as to the two provisions, is a short time ago, and that it might be held to justify an appeal from a decision of the United States Supreme Court, procedure which is expressly prohibited by the American constitution.

McFARLAND WHIPS BRITT IN JIG TIME

The Chicago Fighter Becomes
Lightweight Champion By
Winning Battle at Colma

San Francisco, April 11.—"Packsy" McFarland, the Chicago lightweight, whipped "Jimmy" Britt in the sixth round this afternoon in their 20-round pugilistic contest at Colma. Britt was knocked to the floor three times in the fifth and sixth rounds by powerful right hand blows on the point of the jaw.

He took the count of nine twice, and after the timekeeper had counted five on the third fall Britt's father jumped into the ring and waved McFarland away. McFarland outclassed Britt from start to finish.

After the fight Britt said, "I was clearly beaten, this is the last time I will ever box in a prize ring."

Chilliwack Electric Line

New Westminster, April 11.—Electric locomotives with a possible speed of sixty miles an hour will be the motive power employed by the British Columbia Electric Company on the new line from the city to Chilliwack. The line will be formally opened on May 24, 1910, and tenders are now being invited for the construction of a powerful electric engine that will haul the first trains over the road. The length of the line will be approximately sixty miles, and although the locomotives will be capable of making sixty miles an hour it is not expected that the running time between the two terminal points will be less than two hours for some time after the road is opened.

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the man wanted in Seattle. He shadowed Ewing for some time, and when the opportunity came questioned his man, and soon his suspicions were confirmed. The extent of Ewing's alleged crime is not actually known, though it is understood that it involves several hundred dollars.

PLEA FOR DECENCY

Senator Elkins Asks Press to Refrain
From Printing Reports About
His Daughter

Washington, April 10.—Senator Stephen D. Elkins, in view of the reports from Rome, that the engagement of Miss Cecilia Elkins to the Duke of Abruzzi has been confirmed there, and that in fact matters have progressed so far that the royal family have issued orders for the wedding, tonight sent the Associated Press the following note deprecating of current reports: "If you can consistently, will you kindly refrain from the publication of dispatches and rumors of the reported engagement of my daughter? The matter has occupied the attention of the press for several weeks, and I wish to state that I appreciate the kindly expressions that have appeared concerning my daughter in connection with her reported engagement. Whenever there shall be any reason for making an announcement about this matter I will endeavor to give it to the press in an authentic form."

Fleet Starts North

San Diego, Cal., April 11.—The Atlantic fleet of sixteen battleships began today the last leg of its originally planned route from Hampton Roads to the Golden Gate. The four divisions of the fleet, which departed at 10 o'clock this afternoon, and three-quarters of an hour later were threading their way out of Magdalena bay in the wake of the flagship Connecticut.

NOT FOR TAFT

Ohio Negroes Say They Refuse to be
"Led" by "Dumb
Driven Cattle"

Washington, April 11.—A letter addressed to Representative Rainey, Illinois, by Walter S. Thomas, chairman of the Ohio Afro-American league with headquarters of the state general committee at Columbus, Ohio, was read in the House of Representatives today. Mr. Thomas, referring to a speech made time since in the house, in reply to one by Mr. Rainey, declared that the negroes of Ohio refuse to be led by "dumb driven cattle" of the voting booths and there cast their ballots for President Roosevelt, his Secretary of War or any man he may see fit to support for president of the United States at Chicago.

SINKING OF EMPRESS GIVES RISE TO SUIT

Tobacco Company Claims
Damages for Soaked
Cigarettes

Vancouver, April 11.—The story of the Empress of China's nautical expedition of last October to explore the bottom of Burrard Inlet at her pier was told in Judge Morrison's court today.

The story will clear up the Supreme court of Shanghai, where the Chinese American Tobacco Co. is suing the C. P. R. for the value of several million cigarettes so damaged by water that the consignees declined to accept the goods shipped by the tobacco company from Durham, North Carolina.

The claim is for \$46,500 in Mexican dollars, the popular currency of Shanghai, equal to \$3,250 in Canadian dollars.

According to the bill of lading, the C. P. R. was not to be responsible for damage so long as the ship was seaworthy at the time the cargo was taken on. The C. P. R. contends that she was, and the tobacco company contends she was not by reason of that almost unprecedented accident of October, when she was taken on.

For the tobacco company Hon. W. J. Bowser, K. C., today subjected to severe cross-examination Peter Fowler, now of Seattle, who at that time was third engineer, but, like Chief Engineer James Neish, is no longer an officer of the ship. He is the first of a number of witnesses whose evidence is being taken on under the operating rules of the battleship fleet by the company.

For the purpose of cleaning the condensers, said Mr. Fowler in effect, in cross-examination, the charge valves on the port side were opened before the vessel reached her pier, and the condensers doors were closed before the vessel reached her pier, and the condensers doors were closed before the vessel reached her pier, and the condensers doors were closed before the vessel reached her pier.

Poisoned by Creosots

Mansfield, Ohio, April 11.—Creosote, which Miss Lulu Brightbill used for an attack of toothache, caused the death of the young woman today after she had suffered great agony. She was 17 years old.

Nipissing Conservatives

North Bay, Ont., April 11.—The Conservatives of the new provincial riding of Nipissing, for candidate in the coming election, have nominated Harry Morel, of Mattawa, as their candidate at the forthcoming elections.

United Press Official Dead

Chicago, April 11.—John Vandercreek, president and general manager of the United Press Association, died today at a local hospital as a result of an operation for appendicitis.

TREATIES SIGNED AFFECT CANADA

Ambassador Bryce and Sec- retary Root Affix Their Signatures

BOUNDARY AND FISHERIES

Treaty in Each Case Provides
for Appointment of Com-
mission

Washington, April 11.—Secretary of State Root and British Ambassador Bryce today signed two treaties negotiated recently between the United States and Great Britain. One provides for a commission to determine the boundary between the United States and Canada, and the other regulates fishing in the Great Lakes and adjacent streams.

The boundary commission will be charged with the work of re-surveying certain sections of the boundary line, and determining disputed questions in that connection. The fishery question also is placed in the hands of a commission by the terms of the treaty.

SEVERAL LIVES LOST IN VIOLENT STORM

Furious Wind Visits New York
—Five Known Dead And
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MUCH JEWELRY STOLEN

Thieves Get Away With \$50,000 Worth
From San Francisco Estab-
lishment

San Francisco, April 11.—Some time during last night, and in the best patrolled district of the city, thieves entered the jewelry store of P. Lundy, 744 Market street, and robbed it of diamonds, watches and other jewelry amounting to \$50,000. Entrance was made by cutting a hole through the partition that separates the store from a candy shop. The safe was drilled, and blown open with nitroglycerine.

The robbery is believed to be the work of eastern crooks, many of whom have arrived in the city with the idea of making a hole in the battleship fleet by visiting the port.

PREDICTS CONFLICT WITH ISLAND EMPIRE

Representative Hobson Says
United States Should
Prepare

Washington, April 11.—The debate on the naval appropriation bill in the house of representatives today revolved about the possibility of a war between the United States and Japan. Mr. Hobson (Alabama) pleaded for a navy that would be able to meet the Japanese fleet in the Pacific, and he asserted that Japan's present military activity was with a view to supremacy on the Pacific, and as a natural consequence there would be a clash of arms with the United States.

Barquet to Dr. Koch

New York, April 11.—Hundreds of surgeons and physicians were among the guests who greeted Dr. Robt. Koch, the German bacteriologist, at a banquet tendered him here by the Waldorf-Astoria tonight by the German Medical Society. Andrew Carnegie, who takes a keen interest in medical research, was one of the speakers after dinner. He placed Dr. Koch in the list of the heroes of civilization.

Earthquakes in Mexico

Monterey, Mexico, April 11.—Several distinct earthquakes were felt in Monterey and Nizcora on Wednesday and Thursday. Owing to the severe nature of the shocks, great alarm was felt, and many persons fled from their houses to other towns.

Philippine Outlaws Killed

Manila, April 11.—A dispatch to the consular body from Ramon reports that the detachment sent out against Ligay, the outlaw leader, whose band treacherously murdered a policeman, has been attacked and a sharp fight ended in the routing of the outlaws, who left nine dead.

Officer Wright to Be Tried

Winnipeg, Man., April 11.—A dispatch from Thief River Falls, Minn., says Canadian Customs Officer Wright appeared before the United States commissioner this morning on the charge of smuggling an undestrable alien across the international boundary, and was bound over to appear before the Federal court at Fergus Falls, Minn., on May 5.

To Oppose Mr. Turriff

Estevan, Sask., April 11.—At the Conservative convention held here last night C. C. Smith was nominated to oppose J. G. Turriff, the present Dominion member for East Saskatchewan. R. L. Richardson, editor of the Winnipeg Tribune, was nominated some time ago as an independent farmers' candidate, and a section of the Conservatives at last night's convention made an effort to have Richardson endorsed as the Conservative candidate, but the majority favored a straight-party man.

Grand Trunk's Position

Montreal, April 11.—A special London cable says: Newspaper commentators generally seem to accept Sir Charles Rivers Wilson's confidence that Canada's certain progress leaves plenty of scope for the Grand Trunk in a Conference with the Great Pacific to obtain its fortunes. The financial News favors the suggestion of having a fraction of the board consist of Canadian residents.

New Grand Trunk Official

Montreal, April 11.—M. M. Reynolds, for seven or eight years comptroller of the Mexican Central railway, and a former general auditor of the Central Vermont railway, now a subsidiary line of the Grand Trunk railway, has been appointed fifth vice-president of the G. T. R., in charge of the treasury and accounting departments. He will also have supervision of the financial matters of all corporations in which the company has a pecuniary interest.

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Canadian Pool Champion

Chicago, April 11.—Edward Pelletier, of Canada, won this afternoon's game in the national pool championship tournament at the Hotel Hamilton, De Oro, of New York, 125 to 25.

Coal Wage Conference

Terre Haute, Ind., April 11.—The coal operators and miners adjourned today until after the Toledo conference. The Indiana delegation to Toledo will consist of 10 delegates, and the delegates will be the scale committee. The operators will be represented by twelve owners. The "diana" delegation will leave for Toledo tomorrow.

DREAM OF ROBBERS

Manager of Bank at Thornhill Had
Fierce Combat Only in His
Imagination

Toronto, April 11.—A special from Thornhill states that all indications were that the alleged attempt upon the branch of the Sterling bank at that place on Tuesday night last originated in the imagination of the young bank manager, Mr. Henry, who described his combat with three burglars, a pistol duel in the dark and the ending when he was struck on the head by a lead instrument and fell insensible, and the bank robbers escaped in the darkness.

So satisfied are the authorities of this that they have ordered their investigations, and will take no further action beyond reporting their conclusions to the attorney general.

Henry is alleged to have written to the detectives that perhaps he was excited, and that no attempt had been made to rob the bank. He recalled, it is claimed, having read the account of an attempt to enter the Imperial bank at St. David's, and it is asserted that he had been dreaming about it before going down stairs. In this case Mr. Henry must have fired the shots himself.

Jay Gould Still Champion

New York, April 11.—Jay Gould, prize national court-tennis champion, today successfully defended his title, defeating Eustace I. Miles, of London, in four sets, 6-2, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

Emerson, April 8.—American customs officers at Noyes, Minn., immediately across the border, arrested Herbert Wright, Canadian customs officer, this morning for holding a revolver to his head and then threatening to shoot when he refused to submit. The case, which is the climax of numerous clashes between officers of two countries at this point, arose out of the alleged smuggling across the boundary at Orleans station by Wright of a woman of doubtful reputation from Winnipeg. It is said to have occurred on March 29, and the Washington authorities were communicated with, which led to the issue of a warrant for Wright's arrest at Noyes. He has been taken to Crookston, Minn., where his trial will take place tomorrow before the United States authorities.

FRUIT GROWERS WILL AFFILIATE

Decided Yesterday to Join With British Columbia Cen- tral Exchange

NEW MANAGER ARRIVES

James Drummond Will Have
Charge of Island Associa-
tion's Fruit

The Victoria Fruit Growers' Association decided yesterday to come in to the British Columbia Central Exchange yesterday after a conference with James Drummond, the new manager and organizer. There are at present about 130 members of the association, but Mr. Drummond starts out on the road on Monday, and hopes to get all the fruit growers of the island into the association.

The organization is the outcome of the great growth of the fruit growing industry of British Columbia during the past few years. Nelson, Chilliwack, Vernon and other fruit growing centres all boast of their associations, which are affiliated with the B. C. Central Exchange with headquarters at Revelstoke. The central body has representatives in all the principal markets, and directs the shipments and fixes the prices, thus putting an end to the former haphazard method of doing business, which was of no fit neither to the grower nor the consumer, placing both at the mercy of chance and the wholesalers.

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