

France Will Settle Her Canadian War Bill Next Month.

4,000 Die of Bubonic Plague in India-- Search for Missing Yacht Abandoned-- Duchess of Atholl is Given a Ministerial Appointment.

SECUNDERABAD, B.I., Nov. 12. An epidemic of bubonic plague, which has already caused 4,000 deaths, has broken out in the native quarter of Trimaligiri, near here. One of the victims was a British soldier.

LIBERAL RANK AND FILE NOT SATISFIED.

LONDON, Nov. 12. The steps taken by its leaders toward overhauling the Liberal party, which suffered badly in the last election, are not viewed with entire favor by those in the party ranks. About 100 Liberal candidates who were defeated in the recent polling met yesterday to talk over the situation. The candidates criticized the constitution of the committee of experts, which Mr. Asquith, the party leader, announced last Monday was working to meet the need for the overhauling of the party from top to bottom. Particular criticism was directed against the inclusion in this committee of some members whom the candidates regarded as largely responsible for the poor organization which is blamed for the Liberal collapse. A demand was made for wider representation and the appointment of independent investigators on the committee.

FRANCE TO PAY CANADIAN DEBT.

LONDON, Nov. 12. The French Ambassador has informed the Canadian High Commissioner, Hon. P. C. Larkin, that on December 31 the Government of France will pay off the debt it owes to Canada in connection with the war, the amount totalling \$5,657,000.

TRENTON ABANDONS SEARCH.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12. The cruiser Trenton will give up her search for the missing motor yacht Lief Ericsson and return to her home port at New York. Capt. Kalfbus informed the State Department in a wireless message to-day. Capt. Kalfbus said a thorough search of the locality where the missing boat

was supposed to have been last seen failed to disclose any trace of her.

DEAN SHREVE DEAD.

MONTREAL, Nov. 12. Very Rev. Dean Shreve, of Quebec, died in the Royal Victoria Hospital here at 12 o'clock to-day after a month's illness. For the past two weeks he had been entertained for the recovery of Dean Shreve, especially as a recently performed operation had been successful. Dean Shreve was born in Guysborough, Nova Scotia, the son of the late Rev. Chas. J. Shreve and Harriet H. Shreve. He was educated at King's College, Windsor, N.S., taking his B.A. degree in 1870, M.A. in 1873, and B.D. in 1891.

LABOUR GOVERNMENT HAD SHORE LIFE.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Nov. 12. The Victorian Labour Government was defeated to-day in the Legislature by a vote of 34 to 28, on a motion of want of confidence. The no confidence motion was moved by J. Allan, leader of the Farmers Party. The Legislature adjourned until November 18. The adverse vote against the Government was anticipated. The Labour Ministry of Victoria was formed in the middle of July last with G. M. Prendergast, Labour leader, as Premier and Treasurer. Premier Prendergast succeeded Sir Alexander Peacock, whose Government was defeated on a want of confidence motion, following which the Peacock Ministry resigned.

TWO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.

OWEN SOUND, Ont., Nov. 12. In a fire which destroyed their home, Helen and Loretta Featherstone, aged eight and nine years, respectively, were burned to death at five o'clock this morning, and their grandmother, Mrs. Fred Featherstone, with whom they were living, is seriously burned and may not recover. The fire, which broke out in a back kitchen, quickly spread to the back portion of the house and before the children could be got out they were suffocated and burned to death.

BECK THE TARGET.

TORONTO, Nov. 12. The main volley of S. E. O. Scatell's broadside upon Hydro-Electric Commission resounded through Queen's Park yesterday. The target for the volley was Sir Adam Beck, Scatell's former chief, against whom he laid thirty-nine specific charges of irregularity arising mostly out of alleged expenditure of Hydro funds for personal or other purposes.

MEXICO AND BRITAIN.

MEXICO, Nov. 11. The American Foreign Secretary, General Ron. S. Saenz, is unofficially informed that preliminary steps have been taken to bring about a resumption of diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Mexico through the friendly offices of the United States Government. The Mexican Government has always been willing, the Secretary added, to engage in decorous diplomatic discussions upon all points pending between the two countries.

ISHMET PASHA ILL.

LONDON, Nov. 12. The condition of the Turkish Premier and Foreign Minister, Ishmet Pasha, who is ill, has become worse, says an agency dispatch from Angora. His doctors have advised him to take a rest abroad in which case he would relinquish office.

PLACING THEIR TROOPS.

TIENTSIN, China, Nov. 12. The Chinese leaders, at their conference here, agreed that General Rong Yu Hsiang's troops at Peking should be prepared to advance to Hankow, while Chang Tao Lin, the Manchurian War Lord, intends to station 30,000 troops here and a similar number at Shanhai-kwa.

DUCHESS OF ATHOLL GETS MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Nov. 12. The Duchess of Atholl is the only woman among more than a score of ministerial appointments made public last night. The Duchess becomes Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education.

NORTH POLE PLAN FAILS.

CHRISTIANIA, Nov. 12. The Norwegian explorer, Otto Sverdrup, to-day told the Berlingske Tidende that the latest message he had received from Raoul Amundsen's exploration ship, the Maud, was unfavorable. "I expressed the fear that the plan to drift past the North Pole in the ice too soon would have to be abandoned," he said. Dr. Fridtjof Nansen is said to interpret the message as meaning the Maud to mean the vessel has abandoned the drift and is now trying to get back to the Behring States. He believes the Maud has exhausted her oil supply and must depend on her sails to reach safety.

THE REPUBLICAN MAJORITY.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12. With the return of unofficial reports from the 20th Pennsylvania Congressional District showing the election of a Democrat where the unofficial returns had been sent to a Republican, the tie-up in the next United States Congress is complete and stands as follows: Republicans, 245; Democrats, 185; Farmer Labor, 3; Socialists, 3.

NOT THE ERICSSON.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12. A despatch reported to the Navy Department as having been sighted in the path taken by the missing yacht, Lief Ericsson, for which the cruiser Trenton is searching in the North Atlantic, was located as early as Sept. 5th, the department was informed to-day, and therefore could hardly be the wreck of the missing yacht.

WATCHING CANADA'S EFFORT TOWARD CHURCH UNION.

WINNIPEG, Nov. 12. Should Church Union movement in Canada work out successfully it will mean a great deal for the union of the Protestant Church in the United States, according to Rev. A. C. Sinclair, D.D., of Bloomfield (N.J.), New Jersey, speaking before the Presbyterian Synod of Manitoba here last night. Dr. Sinclair was formerly Pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Winnipeg. Extending greetings from the Church in the United States, Dr. Sinclair said the Church Union movement in Canada had made a deep impression upon American Protestantism and was being watched closely. If it failed it would set back American Protestantism a generation. If it succeeded it would mean a great deal for union in the United States.

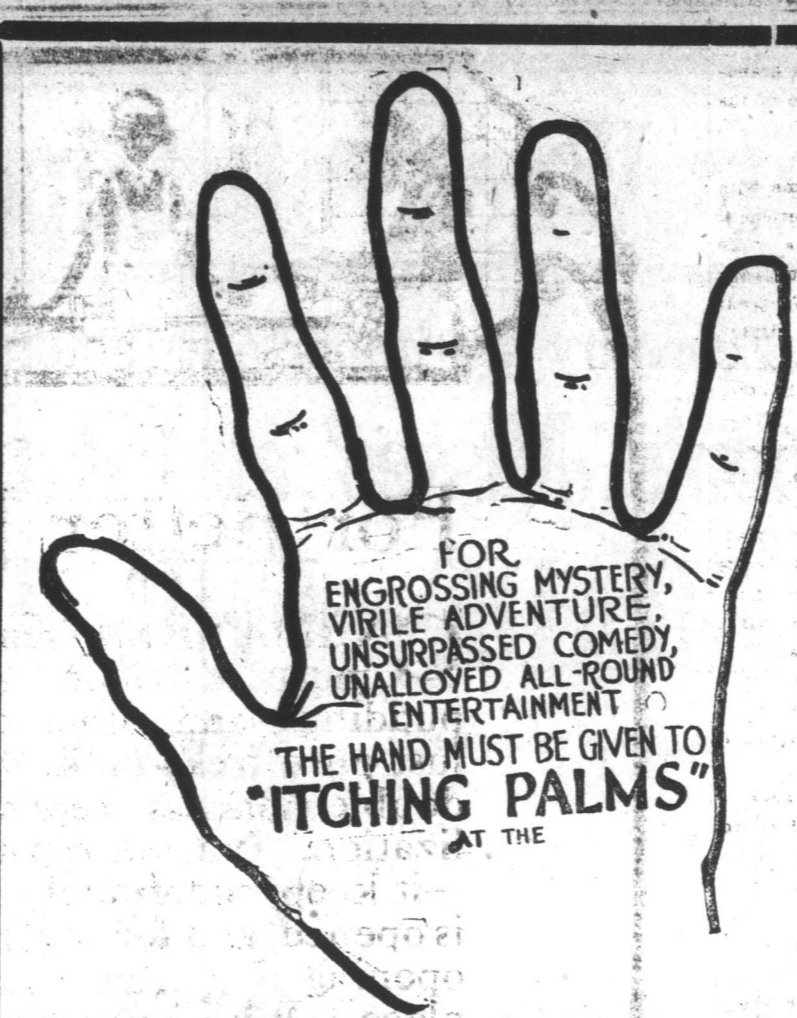
U.S. TREASURY OFFICIAL TO STUDY BRITISH TAXATION SYSTEM.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12. Secretary Mellon yesterday commissioned A. W. Gregg, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury to make a study of the British system of taxation in the hope that he may obtain ideas which will give the Treasury new possibilities in laying out a programme of taxation in future. Mr. Gregg will sail Saturday to spend a month or six weeks in England where he can gain first hand knowledge of the methods employed in levying and collecting assessments from which the British Government derives its revenue. It was emphasized that the Secretary did not have in mind plans to invoke any of the British methods immediately, but he felt the British had had more experience in raising revenue through direct taxes, and grounds for development of better American system might be developed therefrom.

FADDISM IN RELIGION.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. The Episcopal Church of St. Mark's, in the Bowery which, some time ago, won the disapproval of Bishop Manning, because of its rhythmic dancing service, will utilize psych-

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vessel has abandoned the drift and is now trying to get back to the Behring States. He believes the Maud has exhausted her oil supply and must depend on her sails to reach safety.

Sherlock Holmes and Others

MEMORIES AND ADVENTURES OF SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE.

Not only real people have stories told about them. The same thing happens in fiction. There are many stories about Sherlock Holmes, for instance. Here is one told by the great detective's creator, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, in his interesting book, "Memories and Adventures" (Hodder and Stoughton.)

A woman is said to have consulted Sherlock Holmes and told him that she was greatly puzzled. "In one week," she said, "I have lost a motor-horn, a brush, a box of golf balls, a dictionary, and a boot-jack. Can you explain it?" "Nothing easier," said Holmes. "It is clear that your neighbour keeps a goat."

There is a good story of a cabman who is supposed to have driven Sir Arthur to an hotel in Paris. "Sir," said the man, "I perceive from your appearance that you have been recently in Constantinople. I have reason to think also that you have been at Buda, and I perceive some indication that you were not far from Milan." "Wonderful!" Sir Arthur replied. "Five francs for the secret of how you did it."

A Poor Testimonial.

As a boy, the author confesses, he was inclined to be wild, and his schoolmasters had no very great opinion of him. They could see no signs of any success for him in his career. At one time Sir Arthur talked about being a civil engineer. One master shook his head sadly. "Well, Doyle," he said, "you may be an engineer, but I don't think you will ever be a civil one."

The author tells an amusing story of the day Negro Republic of Liberia. At the time of the Franco-German War this diminutive State sent out its Customs boat, the only vessel its navy boasted, and stopped the English mail-boat in order to send word to Europe that it did not intend to interfere in the matter!

Nothing to Pay.

At the beginning of his career, Sir Arthur started a practice in Southsea, and, as is usually the case, patients were slow in coming and fees were few and far between. Consequently, when an income-tax form arrived, he returned it showing that he had no income to tax. Back came the form with the words, "Very unsatisfactory" written across it. Sir Arthur, in turn, wrote: "I entirely agree," and sent the form back once more to the authorities.

The part which Sherlock Holmes has played in his creator's life is shown by an incident that occurred soon after the author was knighted. He received a bill from a tradesman made out in businesslike style, with the exception that it was addressed to Sir Sherlock Holmes. Sir Arthur demanded an explanation, and a clerk came to him to apologize. "I can assure you, sir," he said, "that it was a genuine mistake."

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