

A ROW IN PARLIAMENT

Debates Committee Fire a French Translator Who has an Influential Friend.

No New Arrangement to Avoid Friction on Alaskan Frontier—Mr. Dunsmuir's Mission.

Some Big Bills for Newspapers and Lawyers Set Out in Auditor's Report.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, April 7.—Sir Charles Tupper read a despatch from Washington stating a modus vivendi to be recognized on the Alaskan boundary had been referred to the Canadian and British governments and as soon as the Canadian government had accepted it the British government would accede thereto. He asked if there was any ground for the information.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "No, there is not the slightest foundation. There is no modus vivendi on the boundary between Alaska and Canada, and none is being proposed. Nothing has been discussed since two years ago, when we agreed upon a provisional boundary at the summit between Lynn Canal and the Skeena."

There were wigs on the green at the meeting of the debates committee this morning, the outcome of which was the dismissal of one of the translators and the resignation of chairman Beauséjour. For a long time past the French members have been complaining of the inferior nature of the translation of the debates and at the last meeting of the committee it was decided to have chief translator Beauséjour present to catechise him with regard to the efficiency of his staff.

Part of the report of the auditor-general was presented to parliament shortly after midnight. It consisted of 1,200 pages. The "pettish press" supporting the government figures prominently among the items being: Moncton Transcripts, \$4,483; Montreal, \$1,135; Toronto Globe, \$2,204; Victoria Times, \$180; Province, \$208; Vancouver World, \$180; Western Mail, \$135; Columbia, \$135. Similarly the legal friends of the government were well looked after. Edward Blake got \$3,081; Day, Russell & Co., London, \$3,377; E. N. Bowdler, Victoria, \$5,004; A. Henderson, Westminster, \$64.

Mr. Lacombe, the famous missionary, yesterday received from the Queen a picture of herself in recognition of his self-sacrificing labors among Northwest aborigines. Mr. Dunsmuir of Victoria had an interview with Mr. Sifton to-day and expected to have passed to members of the government about the right of way of the E. & N. railway through the Skeena valley.

A TALKATIVE AMBASSADOR. United States Representative at Berlin Makes Free With British Public Opinion. Berlin, April 7.—During the United States ambassador's audience with the Emperor yesterday, His Majesty thanked the ambassador for his efforts to bring about a satisfactory arrangement of Samoan affairs.

TO TALK DISARMAMENT. Names of United States Representatives Announced from Washington. Washington, April 6.—The secretary of state announced the construction of the United States delegation to the disarmament conference to-day. The delegation consists of Andrew W. Mellon, United States ambassador; Berlin; Mr. Newell, United States minister to the Netherlands; President Seth Low, Columbia University; Capt. Greaser, ordnance department, United States army; and Capt. A. T. Mahan, United States navy, retired, of the United States.

HOW A MAN LABOR RIOT

Racial Strife Between Chinese and Japanese Result in Many Casualties.

Three Chinese Killed and Upwards of Fifty Injured—Martial Law Declared.

By Associated Press. San Francisco, April 7.—The Associated Press representative at Honolulu sends an account of a racial battle between the Japanese and Chinese laborers on the Kahuku plantation on March 23. The Japanese wielded spiked clubs and knives. Three of the Chinese were killed, a dozen seriously wounded, some fatally, and about 40 slightly injured.

Strike in Tailor Shops—Local Steamers Remain in Alaskan Pool.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, April 7.—Seventy-five tailors are on strike in Vancouver, owing to the different shops refusing to work under union rules. It was reported to-day that the shops in Vancouver but one were closed up.

PARALYSIS WHILE WHEELING. Syracuse, April 7.—Rev. H. D. Perkins, pastor of the Methodist church, Morristown, N.Y., died this morning of paralysis while riding his bicycle.

SHELL EXPLODES IN FORTRESS. Brussels, April 7.—By the accidental explosion of a shell in the fortress of Huy to-day, two soldiers were killed and four officers and four soldiers were wounded. The explosion was so violent that the fortress was devastated by the explosion.

NANAIMO MINER SUICIDES. Hanged Himself in Chicken House Because Despondent—Baseball Club Organizing.

WHEELING OUTLAYS. Canadian and American Associations Have a Difficulty About Them.

New York, April 6.—F. Howard Porter, president of the Boston 1899 motor club, and Sterling Elliott, chief counsel of Massachusetts, were in this city to-day. Mr. Elliott said the L.A.W. work in New England was progressing favorably.

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DROWNED FROM SAILBOAT

Nanaimo Sailor Loses His Life in Attempting to Cross the Straits.

Nanaimo, April 6.—(Special.)—On Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Chas. Weber and a lad named Jos. Red, Nanaimo for a little time, left in a sailboat to go to Vancouver via Chemainus. They proceeded on their way till about 7:30 when the boat struck a reef at Yellow point and filled. The lad climbed up the mast, but Weber stood in the boat with the water nearly to his armpits. About midnight a heavy sea struck the boat, capsizing her and throwing Red from the mast into the water.

FISHERY REGULATIONS. The Regulations Which are to Govern Salmon Fishing in This Province.

Claus's Adopted in August—Last Rescinded and New Ones Adopted.

PROTECTING MISSIONS. Urges Her People to Treat Foreigners as They Would Their Own Countrymen.

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RASCALITIES IN YUKON

Prior Adds to the Array of Evidence Presented to Parliament.

Demand for a Thorough Investigation—Mr. Maxwell as Minister's Champion.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, April 6.—Col. Prior made his first speech of the session to-day and acquitted himself well. He reviewed the policy of the government and in alluding to the sealing question said that while anxious to see the sealers get fair play, he would emphatically oppose the surrender of any Canadian rights to seal and hunt on the high seas.

SPECIAL TO THE COLONIST. Megantic, April 6.—A farmer named Bouchier living on the seventh range of Inverness, yesterday had a quarrel with his wife over some trivial matter.

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HERSCHELL CONDOLENCE

London Chamber of Commerce Gracefully Acknowledges New York's Message.

New York, April 6.—The New York chamber of commerce has received from the London chamber of commerce an answer in reply to resolutions passed by the New York body relative to the death of Lord Herschell. The English organization's letter reads in part: "I am desired by my council to state that this voluntary testimony from your chamber, published as it has been through out by the English press, has been not only received gratefully by public sentiment on this side of the Atlantic, but has also served as a great consolation to the bereaved family of the distinguished statesman to whom the text of your chamber's letter was made itself the intermediate diary of the good feeling and friendship which exists between the commercial chambers of the two great nations."

A DISCONSOLATE HUSBAND. Suicided by Her Grave the Day Following His Wife's Funeral.

Woonsocket, R. I., April 6.—Henry DeWolf, editorial writer for the Evening Reporter for the past four years, committed suicide by shooting to-day near the grave of his wife, who was buried yesterday in South Uxbridge. He had evidently been holding a feverish delusion, preparing of the fatal act. He was 43 years old.

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ANOTHER FIRE HORROR

Two Mansions in New York Consumed and Occupants Burnt as They Slept.

Thirteen Lives Certainly Lost and List Perhaps Incomplete—Possible Incendiarism.

By Associated Press. New York, April 7.—Thirteen or more lives were lost, while several who escaped death were severely injured in a fire which, at an early hour this morning, destroyed the five-story dwelling, No. 2, East Sixty-seventh street, the home of Wallace Andrews, president of the New York Steam Heating Company, and the five-story brownstone house of Alfred Adams, No. 3 East Sixty-seventh street.

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THE SAMOAN RUPTURE

German Consul Caused It by Proclamations Grossly Offensive to American Admiral.

Who Since Has Been Reprimanding Germans' Actions and Arresting Them as Spies.

Natives Lt Loose Against Mataafa—Exciting Scenes at Opening of Hostilities.

By Associated Press. Apia, March 24, via San Francisco, April 7.—The United States and British warships have shelled Mataafa's forces repeatedly, and sailors have been landed in Apia to protect property, while there have been several skirmishes with loss of life on both sides. This is the outcome of the Mataafa's disregard of the order of Admiral Kautz of the U. S. S. Philadelphia, to return to their homes and respect the Berlin treaty. As already reported the German consul issued a counter proclamation encouraging the provisional government. Mataafa's followers thereupon surrounded Apia with a view to cutting off the entry of food supplies, and the American and British ships landed troops for the protection of the property of their respective nations, while the native camps and villages were bombarded. It was on March 14 that open hostilities thus commenced.

During Thursday, March 16, matters came to a head. About thirty of the natives were killed, and one British soldier in both legs. Major-General O'Leary of the British army, assisted in the operations at the consulate. There is intense feeling against the Germans here and they are accused of spying and giving information to the rebels. Fighting has been going on since new departure and everything points to German teaching. One Marquart who had been drilling the natives has been arrested. He is held in the house of Mr. St. John, seven years old.

HOW IT ORIGINATED. At the meeting of the consuls and senior officers on the flagship, the admiral explained his position that under no circumstances should the German government, and the agreement under which it had been agreed, under peculiar and trying circumstances, for the protection of business and property, was just as provisional as the government itself. He had to stand by the superior court, and he hoped a peaceful action would be decided upon for restoring peace to the islands without the intervention of an armed force. The British and American consuls and naval officers agreed with the admiral. The German consul having accepted the provisional government could not recede from that position until he had instructions from Berlin.

Later on, after the meeting, Herr Rose put his views in writing to the admiral, and stated that German warships could only act if German property or life were to be protected, or in the case of the supreme court issuing a warrant of arrest against individuals. On no other ground could German warships interfere, and according to instructions under which he acted there would be no military intervention by Germany. He also protested against the issue of the proclamation by Admiral Kautz, pending instructions from the treaty powers, and against the return to Apia of the deported Malietoa, which was a menace to the peace of Samoa, and he reminded the admiral that the Falks had made a promise to help according to the admiral's proclamation. He was afraid the admiral would do harm by his issue, and already people were afraid of the rebels around Apia.

The admiral replied he must be governed in his action by considerations of duty, and not by his fears; that in his proclamation he meant what he said and was not speaking flippantly, and what he had proclaimed he would do. The fact that with all his correspondence and protests to the admiral the German consul did not consider it necessary to forward a copy of his counter-proclamation to the admiral has not increased the admiral's feeling between the admiral and consul. Herr Rose before by any official had the admiral been treated in such a discourteous and insulting manner.

LIGHTING OF WINNIPEG. Majority Vote That City Should Purchase the Plant, but There is Technical Doubt.

Winnipeg, April 6.—(Special.)—The polling to-day on the by-law to raise \$60,000 for a civic lighting plant resulted in a vote of 576 for and 221 against. The vote was much lighter than expected, and it is claimed that owing to the fact that a number of the voters were non-residents the by-law did not receive the by-law required three-fifths of the total available vote to be passed and a two-thirds majority of the vote polled to carry.

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