

CHOLERA SEVERE IN RUSSIAN EMPIRE

Whole District of the Volga Included in the Danger Zone—Prevalent Throughout the Country

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 12.—Asiatic cholera has been reported in the district of the Volga, and is now prevalent throughout the country. The disease is reported in the districts of Nizhni-Novgorod, Moscow, Tiflis, Astrakhan, and others. The disease is reported in the districts of Nizhni-Novgorod, Moscow, Tiflis, Astrakhan, and others. The disease is reported in the districts of Nizhni-Novgorod, Moscow, Tiflis, Astrakhan, and others.

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PROMINENT MEN IN BIG CONVENTION

National Conservation Congress in St. Paul Next Month Attracts Many Leaders in Political World

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 12.—I know of no public question that could bring so many representative men together as the convention of the National Conservation Congress, which is to be held in St. Paul, Minn., September 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9.

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POLICE REFUSE TO GO ON CARS

Order Issued by Mayor of Columbus is Disobeyed by Several Members of City Police Force

OTHERS TAKE DUTY WITH RELUCTANCE

Mayor Takes Action Only on Pressure Brought to Bear Upon Him by City Officials and Business Men

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 12.—Mutiny of a majority of the regular police is threatened because Mayor Marshall ordered the men to serve on street cars tonight to protect them against strike rioters.

Reference to a map will show how the city of the Volga is included in the danger zone. The means available here for reporting new cases are inadequate, hence the real progress of the disease is probably unknown.

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OPPOSITION LEADER

Mr. Borden Speaks on Conservative Policy to Large Meeting—Government's Inactivity

HALIFAX, Aug. 12.—Mr. R. L. Borden's tour in Nova Scotia is proceeding successfully. Yesterday he addressed here a gathering of 2,500 people.

Mr. Borden referred to the articles of the Conservative platform, which has been accepted by the Liberal-Conservative party throughout Canada and still stands as its policy.

The excellence of the Halifax platform of 1907 was so great that our opponents were impelled by force of public opinion to adopt several of its provisions, he said. "I do not mean that these were carried out in every respect in the spirit or along the lines which are contemplated, but some pretence of action was manifest."

He referred especially to the articles of the platform calling for the reform of the civil service, the reorganization of the railway commission, the management of the international railway by a commission, the inception of a system of free rural mail deliveries, and the more careful selection and inspection of immigrants.

The proposals contained in these articles of policy would be carried out in spirit when the Liberal-Conservative party is returned to power," he stated.

The opposition leader then reviewed the government's record, and made criticisms.

Tenders for Canadian Navy

OTTAWA, Aug. 12.—British firms which have asked to be permitted to build the Canadian navy, when the plans are ready, are Harland & Wolff, Swan & Hunter, and Vickers' Sons & Maxim. Canadian firms are the Polson Iron Works, Toronto; British Columbia Marine Works, Victoria; and the Collingwood Shipbuilding company.

Until today Mayor Marshall had withstood pressure brought to bear by officials of the Columbus Railway & Light Company to put officers on its cars. City officials and members of the chamber of commerce, joined in urging the mayor to take this step, and he consented, although he said he did not favor the plan.

Within a few hours this change of policy had become known to the police, and there was widespread dissatisfaction. This reached a culmination at roll call this evening. The mayor began to make assignments, and those in rebellion stepped out of the ranks.

There was little ill feeling expressed, although one policeman took off his helmet and asked the mayor to "get out of here." The mayor, however, was not disturbed, and he continued to make assignments.

After being told that if they refused to obey duty tonight, they would be dismissed, two officers who had at first rebelled stepped back into the line with the regulars.

The mayor said later that he had enough officers to man the fifty cars, and the company expected to operate tonight.

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FIRE MAY SWEEP IDAHO TOWNS

Mining Centres in the Coeur d'Alene Mountains in Grave Danger—Escape Depends on Direction of Wind

LITTLE TOWN OF TAFT SURROUNDED BY FIRE

Men Desperately Fighting the Flames in Several Places—Soldiers Are Ordered From American Lake Camp

SPOKANE, Aug. 12.—The fate of the towns of Wallace, Mullin and Murray, Idaho, for the next four or five days will depend largely on the direction and velocity of the wind. "Situation very grave," is the report of the day in personal supervision of 100 men who were rushed from Spokane and other outside points regarding Wallace.

Fires on Placer creek, Slate creek and Lake creek form a semi-circle on the south and west, and while the fire is three or four miles distant from Taft, it is only a matter of time before the wind will drive the flames into the town.

Taft, Idaho, the little town in the Coeur d'Alene district, with its 200 residents, may be swept off the map as the result of a fire which is now raging on the hills surrounding the hamlet. The flames are now eating their way down the mountain sides, and it is feared the concerted efforts of a force of fire fighters cannot save the place.

Associate District Forester Cecil to day requisitioned thirty men for the vicinity of Medical Springs, in Walla Walla county, Oregon, where the few rangers cannot cope with the fires, which are being driven by a strong wind.

Several large bands of sheep are threatened. Fires are raging at Stanley Point, just east of Mount Hood, and at Den's mouth. The coast is believed to have been caused by careless dropping of berry pickers.

Ketchikan Disabled NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—The Ketchikan, a lumber schooner, was disabled on Tuesday night by a fire which broke out in the cargo hold. The schooner is now disabled and is suffering with boils.

RECORD NUMBER OF STOWAWAYS

Twenty-five Chinese Found on Steamship Kumeric at Seattle—Had Escaped the Searchers at Vancouver

SEATTLE, Aug. 12.—Twenty-five Chinese stowaways who had eluded the inspectors at Vancouver, B. C., were captured aboard the British steamship Kumeric, which arrived here yesterday.

The Chinese had waited on a room twenty feet square under the cargo of the Kumeric. They had been confined to this den since the steamship left China early in July, and planned to slip ashore when the Kumeric reached Portland, where she is going to load lumber.

The Chinamen were discovered by the authorities at Vancouver, but the immigration department here had information that more were aboard, and after the cargo was nearly all discharged, they instituted a thorough search of the hold of the vessel, with the result that they found their quarry, hiding in the cramped quarters in the hold of the vessel.

The men were half clad, and some were almost ill from the long confinement and scant provision of food, rice and water. They had been aboard since early in July. They apparently had planned to make no attempt at escape until the vessel reached Portland, where immigration force at Portland is small, and the Kumeric had been searched here and at Vancouver, the watch there would have been lax.

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THE VICTORIA COLONIST

"MR. FACING BOTH WAYS."

London Express Sums Up Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Varying Sentiments on Tariff Question

LONDON, Aug. 12.—The Express calls Sir Wilfrid Laurier "Mr. Facing Both Ways." He started with being a free trader, and is now a protectionist. The Express says reciprocity with the United States, which is so prominent a feature of his programme is not good for England.

The Express prints the answers of a Canadian mayor to the suggestion that the king should be crowned Emperor of Canada, and takes the opportunity to reassure the Express that there may be other links between the Dominion and the Homeland than King George V. and the Homeland than King George V.

John N. B. says that if in the King's opinion the spirit of loyalty in Canada can be intensified by the alteration of the title, it will be most acceptably received in Canada.

Race Fight in New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Three white men were shot and two negroes fatally wounded in a shooting affray and hand-to-hand fight late tonight in the Douglas Club, a negro resort in West Twenty-Eighth street. Sixty men, white and black, participated in the struggle.

Hotelkeeper Heavily Fined

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Archibald Bremner, a hotelkeeper of Sheraton Hotel, was fined today by Magistrate Bullock \$200 for selling liquor without a license, or, in alternative, nine months at hard labor. It was the first time that the first conviction under the new act passed at the last session of the legislature.

That the scenery in the Butte's Lake Park reserve is the greatest in British Columbia, far surpassing anything to be seen in the west, is the opinion of the Hon. Mr. Price Ellison, who is now on his way back from a trip, during which the geographical and other features of the new park reserve were thoroughly examined.

In a telegram addressed to Premier McBride, the Hon. Mr. Ellison states that the park reserve is the greatest in British Columbia, far surpassing anything to be seen in the west, is the opinion of the Hon. Mr. Price Ellison, who is now on his way back from a trip, during which the geographical and other features of the new park reserve were thoroughly examined.

The members of the local society are making every endeavor to make the exhibition this year a banner one. Catalogues of the show may be obtained from A. S. Tyler, secretary of the association. They contain full instructions as to entries, prize lists, etc., prizes being awarded for exhibits in fruits, vegetables, field produce, dairy produce, bread, flowers, live stock, fine arts, ladies' work, etc.

The Roman Catholic church at Wellington, which has been in disrepair for some time, is to be moved into Nainaimo to take the place for the present of the church destroyed here by fire some weeks ago. Jeffery Planks, of this city, has been awarded the contract for the removal of the edifice, which commenced this morning.

The city council is gradually disposing of the immediate difficulties with which it was confronted at the beginning of the week. Any obstacles that there may have been as to the location of the outfalls for the city's sewerage system now under construction have been overcome, the street committee have been able to arrange a settlement with the petitioners resident on the east side of Victoria road relative to the drainage of the property.

Archbishop Bourne for Cardinal BOURNE, Aug. 12.—The Pope recently appointed Archbishop Bourne, of London, to the position of cardinal. He is the most meritorious member of the church, deserving the highest ecclesiastical honors. This is taken as a direct allusion to the coming elevation of the archbishop to the cardinalate.

This is the Last Day of Rummage Sale

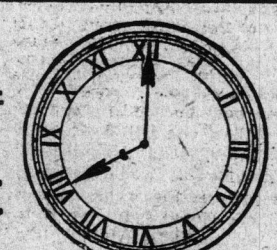


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3rd and Last Day of the Rummage Sale

This is the last day on which you can partake of the phenomenally reduced prices at the Rummage Sale

Ladies' Glove—Special Tonight at



Doer Skin and Mocha Gloves, pique sewn, in black, browns, greys and beaver. Regular, \$1.25. Tonight at 8 o'clock 60¢

Real Nappa Gloves, with red stitching and arrow points, in tans only. Regular, \$1.00. Tonight at 8 o'clock 60¢

- 36 Pairs of Ladies' Corsets, sizes 27, 28 and 29. Regular, \$1.25. Rummage Sale 50¢
- 24 Pairs Cotton Knit Drawers, knee length, lace trimmed. Regular, 35¢. Rummage Sale 15¢
- 36 Pairs Cotton Knit Drawers, knee length, lace trimmed. Regular, 75¢. Rummage Sale 25¢
- Ladies' Tan Lisle Gloves. Regular, 35¢. Rummage Sale 10¢
- Ladies' Silk Gloves, elbow length, black and brown, sizes 5 1/4 and 6. Regular, \$1.00. Rummage Sale 25¢
- Ladies' Silk Net Gloves, black only, lisle palm. Sizes 5 1/4 and 6. Regular, \$1.00. Rummage Sale 25¢
- Children's Socks, Tan, Chambray, Grey, lace ankles and plain ankles. Regular, 25¢. Rummage Sale 5¢
- 36 Pairs Children's Cotton Hose, in Black, Tan and White. Regular, 45¢. Rummage Sale 10¢

PARASOLS

- 25 Parasols, in Mercerized Saten. Regular, \$1.75. Rummage Sale 50¢
- 24 Silk Parasols, trimmed with chiffon frills, in Pink, Blue, Navy, White, Black and White. Regular, \$5.00. Rummage Sale \$1.75
- 10 Embroidered Linen Parasols. Regular, \$3.75. Rummage Sale \$1.75
- 4 Black Silk Parasols. Regular, \$3.75. Rummage Sale \$1.75
- 16 Colored and Fancy Silk Parasols. Regular up to \$4.25. Rummage Sale \$1.75

BELTS

- Tinsel, Leather and Silk Belts, all colors. Regular values up to 90¢. Rummage Sale 25¢
- Elastic, Leather and Silk Belts, all colors. Regular up to 50¢. Rummage Sale 10¢
- White and Colored Wash Belts, values up to 75¢. Rummage Sale 25¢
- White Wash Belts. Regular value, 25¢. Rummage Sale 10¢

HEARTY WELCOME FOR SIR WILFRID

Calgary People Turn Out in Large Numbers to Meet the Premier—Reception is Entirely Non-Partisan

Calgary, Aug. 12.—The Laurier special made no stop today in the run between Red Deer and Calgary. Five thousand people were awaiting the premier at Calgary, where Mayor Jamieson presented a civic address, pointing out that since the premier's former visit, sixteen years ago, Calgary had grown in population from 3,500 to 48,000.

Sir Wilfrid in reply expressed his appreciation of the welcome, and paid a tribute to the marvelous development of the district, adding his hope that the spirit of true Canadianism was dominant in Canada, he declared, had the opportunity to become like the lesson and inspiration of the modern civilized world.

The reception was carried out on a mammoth scale and was entirely non-partisan, among the prominent citizens taking part being R. B. Bennett, Conservative leader in the provincial legislature, and the Hon. J. H. Brown, Minister of the Interior.

A procession was formed and Sir Wilfrid escorted to Premier Lodge, where he will enjoy a much needed rest after his long journey. He will address a public meeting at the Arena, attended a public reception and lawn party at the barracks of the mounted police in the evening, and speak to a large gathering of citizens at the barracks of the mounted police in the evening, and speak to a large gathering of citizens at the barracks of the mounted police in the evening.

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MAROONED PUSS MEETS DEATH

One Small and Starving Cat Perched on High Pole Puts Out Electric Lights Last Night

One small and starving cat that had been perched upon the high top of a pole for four days opposite the Thorpe Soda factory, Government street, was rescued by means of a high ladder and a long pole, but the cat, thinking different, jumped from the pole-top to the transmission wire, causing the wire to fall down and short-circuiting the current that passed through it. Luckily for the rescuer, he escaped from being hit by the live wire and beat a hasty retreat homeward.

The cat had been perched in this tiny position for fully four days and it was thought that it was chased up the pole by means of a high ladder and a long pole, but the cat, thinking different, jumped from the pole-top to the transmission wire, causing the wire to fall down and short-circuiting the current that passed through it. Luckily for the rescuer, he escaped from being hit by the live wire and beat a hasty retreat homeward.

It was with great despatch that the company located the disconnection and broke was soon