

MR. RICHARDS RETIRES.

The Only Way a Blair Man Could be Elected.

How Hon. Mr. Costigan Has Been Enabled to Hold His Seat.

On Wednesday afternoon T. Medley Richards was nominated for Victoria and Madawaska to oppose John Costigan. He addressed the electors from the hustings and spent the evening at the hotel.

John Connor and James Stratton were at Grand Falls. Mr. Connor came to the city last evening and Mr. Stratton left for Ottawa.

SOUTH AFRICA.

BLIEMONTFEST, Friday, Oct. 25.—The telegraphic lines are still interrupted and mails delayed, owing to the Boers detouring a train ten miles south of Edenburg.

All Boers over 14 years of age living outside of a radius of ten miles from Bloemfontein are being rounded up by British troops and brought here to prevent their joining the commandos.

GRADDOCK, Cape Colony, Oct. 26.—The Dutch church is the only building left standing in Bothaville, owing to the Boers.

More Boer women have been deported from Jagersfontein. They were sent to Bitterfontein, where they are interned with others, a few miles outside the city.

PARIS, Oct. 26.—The foreign officials believe former President Kruger will travel incognito during his visit to the European capitals, relinquishing only a short daily long enough to permit an exchange of visits between Mr. Kruger and the head of the nation.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail comments upon the "astonishing outbreak of Boer activity" and points to the possibility of the Boers having been considerably reinforced.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—A despatch to the Evening Standard states that Lord Roberts was scheduled to leave South Africa Nov. 15, has postponed his departure owing to the illness of his daughter.

HAMBURG, Nov. 1.—The Boersenthal today says the gold return on board the Bundesraath at Cuxhaven, on the arrival of that steamer, from Delagoa Bay, was at the instance of an international syndicate of mine owners, whose product was taken by the Boers and transported in doubtful value given in exchange.

SITUATION IN SPAIN.

PARIS, Nov. 1.—The Temps this evening publishes a despatch from Madrid, which says the military authorities of Barcelona are conspiring all the local papers, that all information respecting the Carlists is prohibited, and that nothing is allowed to be telegraphed or telephoned except official bulletins.

It is now certain, the correspondent adds, that the bands of Carlists are more numerous than at first announced. Two bands number 800 men each, and the movement is well organized but premature.

The liberal and republican press declare the vitality of Carlism is due

to the freedom allowed the religious orders. The lower clergy are implicated in the uprising, which is strengthened by the industrial crisis in Catalonia.

EASTPORT TRAGEDY.

Calais Young Man Shoots the Girl He Loves.

LUBEC, Me., Oct. 31.—William Mason, an employe of the New England Sardinie Co., is under arrest on the charge of attempting to take the life of Miss Jennie Griffin, while at work in the factory tonight. They were engaged at work in the packing room of the sardine factory, when, at about 10 o'clock, Mason approached a fellow workman named Roy Pasmore, saying, "You are watching Jennie, well, here's something else to watch," and immediately pulled a 32 calibre revolver from his pocket and fired at Miss Griffin, the shot entering the body just below the right shoulder.

It is said that Mason purchased the revolver yesterday and said he was going to try and shoot a deer on his way home. He exhibited the weapon to Mills Hooper and made the statement that Miss Griffin turned pale when she met him. He shortly after had a talk with Jennie, and told her of his jealousy. Mason is a resident of Calais and a son of John Mason. He is 21 years of age and unmarried. He temporarily resides at West Lubec. Miss Griffin, who is 17 years of age, belongs at Grand Maan. They have both been permanently employed in the sardine factory.

ALL AGREE.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The alignment of the powers which has given the German agreement its significance. As the matter now stands, five of the powers are united in all the terms of the agreement, viz., Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Austria and Japan; three of the powers, United States, France and Russia, accept the clauses relating to the open door and the territorial integrity of China, but withhold action on the third clause to future procedure in case any power seizes territory.

LINA BELLE DEAD.

AMHERST, N. S., Oct. 31.—Lina Belle, the well known Quebec mare, died here at noon today from poisoning. On Monday night, during the temporary absence of her attendant, some person broke into the stable at the driving park and gave her a large dose of croton oil. In the morning she was discovered to be in a very pitiable condition, and was removed to the Terrace hotel stables, where everything was done to save her life, but the dose of poison had done thoroughly through her. A post mortem examination is being held. Mr. Laroche, who is in town, valued the mare at about five thousand dollars.

A London cable of the 29th ult. says: Bark Providenzia (Ital), from — for Marselles, with deck, has put into Palma leaping, but not on fact Lord Salisbury will still be the foreign minister, with Lord Lansdowne as his clerk.

W'LL NOT COME.

The Elder-Dempster Line's Manager Contradicts Blair.

There Are Other Ports Besides St. John — Could Deliver Mails at Halifax.

MONTREAL, Oct. 31.—The winter sailings of the Elder-Dempster line from St. John have not yet been scheduled," said D. W. Campbell, Canadian manager of the line, today, "and will not be until the minister of railway and canals and the Canadian Pacific railway come to some arrangement. What is the good of sending over large ships to St. John if there is no freight to carry? It is true that the Elder-Dempster, like other lines, receives a subsidy, but it is not business to sacrifice £1,500 for £700."

"Of course," concluded Mr. Campbell, "there are other ports besides St. John, and even if we did not run to the latter port it would not interfere with our mail contract. We could still deliver mails at Halifax."

LORD LANSDOWNE

Further Comments of the London Press on the New Foreign Secretary.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—If the Daily Telegraph's announcement had been a mere feeler to ascertain the temper of the public toward Lord Lansdowne's appointment he would certainly never become minister of foreign affairs, but, although the appointment to the secretaryship has not yet been officially confirmed, it is accepted on all sides as a settled thing.

The Standard, which says it has learned that Lord Selbome, under secretary of state for the colonies, and William St. John Brodrick, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, will enter the cabinet and that Charles Thomson Ritchie, president of the board of trade, will be appointed to the post, says: "The appointment of the Marquis of Lansdowne to be her majesty's principal secretary of state for foreign affairs is an almost inconceivable blunder. He has neither the character, qualifications nor experience for such a post. The only plausible excuse for the appointment is that Lord Salisbury will still control the foreign office, while Lord Lansdowne relieves him of his routine duties."

The Daily Mail, which professes to be unable to believe that such an appointment is possible, says: "If Lord Lansdowne's appointed foreign secretary and some other gentleman of agreeable manners is made first lord of the admiralty, the country may lament a great opportunity for foreign policy. The Daily Chronicle says: "We may well ask whether the country would have voted quite so 'khaki' had it known of this appointment beforehand."

The Daily News observes: "Presumably the explanation of the appointment is that Lord Salisbury wants a man he can easily control in foreign affairs, which would have been impossible if Mr. Chamberlain had been appointed. In fact Lord Salisbury will still be the foreign minister, with Lord Lansdowne as his clerk." The Times to a large extent takes the view of the liberal organs, namely: that Lord Salisbury will now find time to be the real premier and to exercise greater control over the whole cabinet, instead of a mere normal cabinet. It believes the report of Lord Lansdowne's appointment correct, and defends him against newspaper attacks, saying: "The critics would find it hard to indicate whom they consider better fitted for the post." After naming several rather negative qualities for the portfolio, the Times says it thinks it ungenerous to criticize until the country has seen what the new minister will accomplish.

According to this list of appointments, Geo. J. Goschen, the first lord of the admiralty in Lord Salisbury's cabinet; Sir Athelstan White-Ridley, who has been secretary of state for home affairs, and Viscount Curzon, who was lord privy seal, have been dropped in the formation of the new cabinet.

THE SPREAD OF AN EARTHQUAKE.

Speaking of the Indian earthquake of 1897, London Engineering says the vibrations travelled to Europe, where they were recorded at very many stations, and no doubt would have been very well recorded at other places on the surface of our world had there been provided suitable instruments. The preliminary tremors, which are probably waves of compression, travelled through the world to reach Italy and other countries with an average rate of 345 miles per minute, or 5.6 kilometres per second—a rate which it will be observed is higher than that at which similar movement can be transmitted through glass or steel. The large waves, which are probably quasi-elastic gravitation waves, by travelling over the surface of the earth, reached Europe at a rate of 113 miles per minute, or 2.88 kilometres per second. It is likely that these latter disturbances reached stations in Europe by travelling from their origin in two directions round the world. As an indication of this, we are told that at several of the European stations slight undulations are to be seen on the seismograms at times we should expect to find such markings, had they travelled from India to Europe by the longest possible route. From the period of these waves, which is taken at 23 seconds, halting time may be inferred, one estimate of which is 34 miles; whilst their height, as deduced from the length and the maximum angle of tilting, is estimated at 20 in. The slowness of the movement was such that it could not be recognized any different movement from the ordinary eye of an observer would not be able to recognize any difference between them from the category of tremors, vibrations, or microseisms.

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HAMPSTEAD, Where the Liberal Conservatives Are Stronger Than Ever.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley Disappointed But Not as Badly as the Grits Will. — By November 7th.

HAMPSTEAD, Queens Co., Oct. 25.—Nelson Eveleigh, wife and children of Sussex were at the Woodville house yesterday.

The cheese factory here closed operations for this year on Saturday, having made during the season 27,432 pounds of cheese.

Nov. 1.—A political meeting in the interest of the conservative candidate, William Pugsley, was held in the Hibernia hall on Tuesday night.

The first speaker was Harry W. Woods of Welsford, who dealt with the trade policy of the liberals and the winter port question.

S. L. Peters of Queenstown, who followed, made some choice points in his remarks in regard to Mr. White's candidature in these two counties, also on Mr. Tarte's disloyalty.

The meeting closed with cheers for R. D. Wilmet, Sir Charles Tupper and George E. Foster.

OTTAWA. Government Arranging for Fake Food Opinions on Returning Soldiers.

OTTAWA, Nov. 1.—Under the caption of Fake Food Opinions, the Citizen publishes the following: The government is looking and it knows it, its attitude on the recruiting question has been from the start to finish one of gross blunder, if not worse.

The country is roused and the electors are determined to mark their disapproval of its halting vacillating policy in the matter of sending Canadian troops to help maintain the unity of the empire. More pronounced even is the indignation which burns in the breasts of the isolationists against the government for its attack upon the troops, in the matter of sending fraudulent emergency rations that could no more save them than a leaden life preserver could save them from drowning.

In its desperation, the government has resolved to attempt to break the force of the emergency food fraud and, if possible, turn the fortunes of battle, which are now so heavily against it.

To accomplish this result the government has planned for a series of interviews with certain members of the contingent, who

arrived in Halifax per steamer Idaho this morning. These members have been advised of the intended interviews and requested to grant them. They are expected to give a report of the emergency ration that will help to save the government from the effects of the terrible indictment that has been framed against it by correspondents in South Africa. The zealotism to secure the interviews is Richard Birdwhite of the Ottawa Free Press. He left for Halifax yesterday. He went at government expense. The fake opinion of the emergency food will have a little moment in them for the government as the fraudulent ration for our brave boys in khaki.

NIPPED IN THE BUD.

MADRID, Oct. 31.—Thegendarmes who searched the country house of Senor Bares, brother-in-law of the Duke of Solferino, who has disappeared, where they seized a number of rifles, also obtained possession of documents giving the names of 196 Carlist chiefs and six hundred Carlist soldiers. Papers and stamps bearing the inscription, "The Royal Army of Catalonia," have been seized. It is said that the revolution was timed for the first fortnight in November. The conspirators, in three groups, were to attack simultaneously the municipal council, the civil government and the captain general. The minister of war says that the number of Carlists in Catalonia will not reach the figure announced by the minister of the interior, who asserted that there were 600 Carlists in the vicinity of Berga. The Barcelona police have discovered two depots of arms, rifles and various kinds of sabres, together with ammunition enough to fill six carts.

TWO ANSWERS.

Not long ago a Boston clergyman received an evening call from an elderly man and woman who expressed a wish to be joined in the bonds of matrimony then and there.

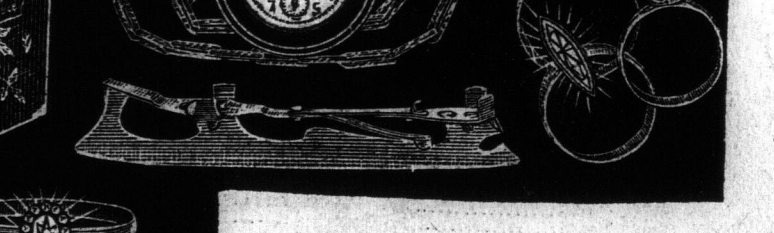
"Have you ever been married before?" asked the clergyman of the man, an honest eyed, weather-beaten person of seafaring aspect.

"Never, and never wanted to be before," was the prompt reply.

"And have you ever been married before?" the question came to the woman.

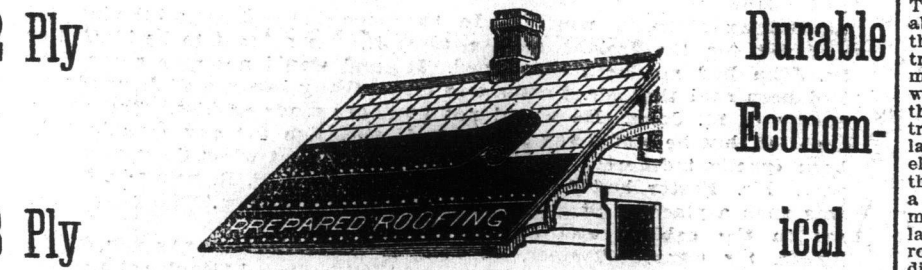
"No, sir," she replied with equal promptness, and with a touch of humor that appealed to the clergyman at once she added, "I never had a chance!"

The marriage ceremony was speedily performed, and the clergyman refused to take any fee, telling the bride with a twinkle in his eye that it had been a privilege to officiate which he would have been sorry to miss.



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