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LONDON, CANADA, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1898.

MARRIED. WOODBURNE-ROBERTSON-At the resi dence of the bride's father, on Aug. 31, by the Rev. P. S. Johnson, Clarence W. A. Woodburne, to Agnes Maud, eldest daughter of the Rev. G. F. Robertson, all of this city. At home, at 350 Hewett street, after Sept. 12.

NOXELL—SULSTON—On Aug. 31, 1898, at the residence of the bride's father, near Kilworth, by Rev. H. D. Moyer, Deleware, Mr. William Noxell of Komoka, to Miss Edith Sulston, daughter of Mr. William Sulston.

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TONIGHT-DR. McKAY ON THE PLEBIS-CITE, in Knox Presbyterian Church. A REGULAR COMMUNICATION OF ST. John's Lodge, 200a, A., F. and A. M., will be held this Friday evening, Sept. 2, at 7:30 p.m. General business and degrees. Visitors welcome. J. D. Balfour, M.D., Wor. Master; T. A. Rowat, P. M. Secretary.

PLEBISCITE NOTICE—SECOND SUB-DIVISION, Ward 4—All interested are invited to attend a meeting to be held at 8 o'clock tonight, in the school-room of the Dun-das Center Methodist Church. By order of the provisional committee.

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> island shall have A NEW AND FAIR TRIAL,

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Far-Reaching Effects of Col. Henry's Confession of Forgery-Wholesale Resignation of Army Officers May Follow.

Paris, Sept. 2.-Col. Henry's confession of having forged the famous document upon the authenticity of which Gen. De Boisdeffre, chief of staff in the French army, in his impassioned appeal to the jury in the Zola trial, staked his own reputation and the honor of the army, and Col. Henry's suicide in the fortress of Montvalieren, have caused a commotion throughout France which has not been witnessed

since the fall of Sedan.
Col. Henry, a peasant's son, promoted from the ranks, and imbued with all the instincts, low cunning and narerow personal animosity often charac-teristic of French peasants, had no conception of THE ENORMITY OF HIS CRIME

until overwhelmed by its detection. This brave but infatuated chief of the intelligence department of the French army, embodied the whole head and front of the Dreyfus conviction, of Zolas condemnation, of Esterhazy's acquittal and of Picquarts degredation and imprisonment.

Although the document which Col.

Henry forged in 1896 cannot have any effect on the Dreyfus trial, which took place in 1894, it is nevertheless with consternation that the people are asking what sort of evidence Dreyfus could have been convicted on, if in the judgment of Col. Henry, it was so flimsy that he thought it could not stand investigation without being propped up by official forgery.

THE TIDE TURNING.

After conversing with representative Frenchmen of every class, after mixing with the excited groups in the streets and cafes, it is evident that the popular tide is at last turning in favor of a revision of the Dreyfus trial, no matter what the consequences may be. It is significant that such news papers as the Gaulois, the Echo de Paris, and journals which are known to be in close touch with the army, now declare that the feeling of military men is out and out for revising the court-martial, and that many prominent officers insist that it is the honor of the army itself which necessi-

Gen. Boisdeffre, whose monstrous threat to resign with the whole general staff of the army if Zola was acquitted, has now by his resignation ad-

THE BLIND DUPE OF A FORGER. Henri Rochefort, who still champions the validity of Dreyfus' condemnation, is authority for the statement to all ly subjecting all documentary evidence upon the Dreyfus and Zola trials to expert tests, to ascertain whether any ore forgeries exist. There is every indication that the army and people demand that the prisoner on Devil's

but this cannot take place for many

fortunate devil! What a terrible and heartrending blow to his young wife SUMS OF \$100 AND UPWARDS TO LOAN and to his little son!"

The use of Abbey's Effervescent Salt as a summer drink is becoming general on account of its unquestioned excellence. A teaspoonful of this stan-dard English preparation, taken in a tumblerful of water, makes a sparkling drink, which brings rest and visor to the wearied body. All druggists

# Dervishes Attacked! Beaut Teeth

Pushing Forward.

Skirmish With the Enemy-

Native Loss Not Ascertained. Telegraphic Communication Interrupted by a Severe Storm.

Startling Reasons Given for the Czar's Peace Proposals.

No Disarmament for Germany-Chamberlain's Mission to This Country.

London, Sept. 2.—The war office was relieved late last evening by the receipt of a dispatch from Cairo, explaining the sudden interruption of news from the Soudan. It appears that telegraphic communication was interrupted by the wire beyond Nasri Island, about midway between Metemmeh and the sixth cataract of the Nile, having been damaged by a severe

Shortly after the arrival of this intelligence came the following dispatch from Nasri Island, dated Aug. 30: "There have been glimpses of the enemy during the last few days, and the first skirmish took place today, when an advance guard of cavalry located a large body of the dervishes at a supposed outpost near Kerreri, about eight miles north of Omdurman. enemy showed a disposition to fight, beating war drums and displaying battle bunting. The Montmorency troop emptied a few dervish saddles, and three gunboats steamed up the river in front of the town and shelled the dervish positions. The enemy's loss could not be ascertained, as the dervishes were in a hollow; but fleeing troops could be distinctly seen. army is moving slowly. Yesterday it advanced four miles in close forma-

Until the receipt of the above news under the sirdar, General Sir Herbert where the Khalifa was reported to be waiting with 100,000 warriors, well equipped with field guns. General Kitchener's force consisted of 10,000 British troops and 15,000 Egyptian sion. blacks, the most perfectly equipped force the government has even put in the field, having plenty of horse : tillery and maxim guns. It was planned to keep constant communication with the army by field telegraph, hence the fears that the Angio-Egyptian force might have been overwhelmed by numbers.

FRENCH SCHEME THAT FAILED. London, Sept. 2.—William Wilson, editor of the London Year Book and other publications, amplifies the article published by the Spectator on Saturday regarding France's attitude toward the United States in the late

He says that not long after the opening of the war the French Government conceived a plan the object of which was to rescue Spain, to administer a rebuke to American ambition, and to assert European supremacy in the complications in the western world. By a combination of good fortune and diplomatic adroitness the French Government secured the support of the other continental powers. Germany and Russia included. The stroke was all but completely prepared, and nothing remained but to sethe English Government. But when that Mr. Mulock will soon give this the proposition of diplomatic interven- subject his attention. tion, if that should be sufficient, or force of arms, if needful, was definitely submitted to Lord Salisbury, to the unmeasured surprise and grief of the French cabinet, a reply was de-livered to the effect that, if the plan was not directly abandoned, not only would her Majesty's Government refuse to countenance its execution, but would join forces with the American Government and declare war on France and such supporters as should come to her assistance. The negotiations at once fell through, and the French Government beat a retreat.

RUSSIA DYING. A special cable from London says: England's greatest leader, after Lord Selisbury, has an inspired and cynical article in a London newspaper, showing that the czar's proposition was a shrewd move, made necessary by the increased physical degeneracy of the Russian race. The following facts are quoted to prove it: The death rate in Moscow for the week ending July 27 was 44 per thousand, which is more than three times above that of London. In many Russian districts the death rate is 70 in 203, and in all Russian cities the death rate has a minimum of 35 and a maximum of 171 per thousand. Nijni Novgorod is steadily dwindling; Kazan is a vast churchyard. There is an increasing difficulty in finding young men to serve in the Russian army. As for the navy, only the

other day the news came from Odessa that Russia, finding the greatest difficulty in recruiting her marine from the seaport towns, was compelled to fall back on the clumsy and stupid peasants of the interior. NOT FOR GERMANY. The Berliner Post, in a seemingly in-

spired article with reference to French disarmament proclamation of Emperor Nicholas, says: "Germany must remain armed and on guard until France is willing to convert her weapons into plough shares." GHASTLY OBJECT LESSONS. London, Sept. 2.-The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says:

The lower classes are deeply, and perhaps dangerously, impressed by the ghastly appearance of the repatriated | killed. soldiers from Santiago de Cuba. ESTERHAZY'S COOLNESS. Paris, Sept. 1. - Major Count Es-

The Anglo-Egyptian Army razor. "Henry's death," he said, "was regrettable, because doubtless he had other revelations to make." Count Esterhazy intends to appeal his enforced

retirement from active service in the

ANGLO-CANADIAN OCEAN CON-NECTION. London, Sept. 2.-The Elder-Dempster Company discuss their proposal to convey the mails free of cost between Canada and Avonmouth, which proposal the Canadian Government has declined. They adversely criticise the fast mail project, and say that Canada's interest would be better served by a cheap immigration service by steamers already in the trade. In time Canada could work the requirement of a fast mail service, but the most immediate need is a cheap outlet for the products of the country and the

fullest inducements possible to Euronean immigration.

CHAMBERLAIN'S MISSION. London, Sept. 2 .- Although the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain has taken especial pains that the public should understand that his visit to America is entirely of a private and family character, it is expected that he will, during his stay with his wife's family, invite one or more of the Canadian ministers to visit him, and discuss outstanding questions. Mr. Chamberlain shows the keenest possible anxiety for the success of the Quebec conference, believing that complete amity between Great Britain and the United States is the best stepping-stone to an Anglo-American co-operation in China and

elsewhere PLENTY OF RUMORS. Paris, Sept. 2.-The Dreyfus case presents no new features, but there is a plentiful supply of rumors. One of these is that Dreyfus is dead, no letter having been received from him for some weeks. Another report is that Gen. de Boisdeffre, who has just resigned the post of chief of the general staff, has committed suicide. these rumors are undoubtedly without

foundation. The carelessness of the authorities in allowing Henry to have a razor and in not watching him is generally interpreted as connivance, and perhaps as persuasion, since officers under arrest and likely to be condemned should, according to military regulations, be constantly watched, while Lieut.-Col. Great Britain was beginning to be constantly watched, while Lieut.-Col. alarmed lest the fate of Hicks Pasha Henry was left for hours alone, and had befallen the Anglo-Egyptian army allowed to lock the door on the inside. If there were persuasion, it is Kitchener. On Monday night the army was 23 miles from Omdurman, the dervish camp, near Khartoum. both himself and wife would have lost all pension rights. As it is, the widow shop. The head of the Bertram Combecomes entitled to a handsome pen-

The movement in favor of a revision of the Dreyfus case is growing by leaps and bounds. PENNY POSTAGE.

London, Sept. 2 .- Mr. Henniker Heaton, in an article in the Fortnightly Review, expresses the hope that by Jan-uary next the Australian colonies will adopt the penny postage rate. Mr. Heaton places the loss of revenue which Britain will sustaint as a result of penny postage at £89,585. The loss of revenue to the colonies from the same cause he estimates at £76,047. At the same time Mr. Heaton predicts an increase of one-half in correspondence the first year as a result of the reduced rate. Deducting the amount of postage receivable in this increase, namely, £29,861, from Britain's gross sacrifice and £25,349 from the gross colonial sacrifice, Mr. Heaton finds that the boon of penny postage will cost Britain £59,724, and the colonies £50,698. Of this latter sum Mr. Heaton says the Australasian colonies should contribute £13,950, or £1,993 each. Thus, Mr. Heaton observes, to make imperial penny postage com-plete, only a sacrifice of £13,950 is required by the British colonies of Australasia. The same article says Canada has reason to complain of the unreasonable system of charges for the cure, if not the active adherence, at sea freightage of letters, but says it least the tacit consent or neutrality of may be regarded as tolerably certain

> CABLE NOTES. Blance Roosevelt, the American writer, is seriously ill in London of

> brain trouble. It is only in official circles that the scheme for a Pacific cable is boomed. In Canadian commercial circles it is thought that the cable would be of no advantage to Canada.

Revolution is feared in Ecuador: the cabinet has resigned, and congress has suspended, until military protection can be secured. An incipient revolt has been crushed at Lima The colored population of Jamaica

s opposed to annexation to the United States, and Commissioner Burke, of Jamaica, goes to the Barbadoes con-ference uninstructed on the question. If British Guiana or Barbardoes does not take the initiative the matter will fall through.

### **ORIENTAL NEWS**

Japan Has the Annexation Fever-

Terrible Typhoon. Late Oriental advices say: Messrs.

Chapin and Alexander, of the International Alliance mission, while on their way up the Yuen River with their houseboat, were stoned at Hong Kiang, Hunan. The boat was smashed and then burned by the mob. The two travelers barely escaped with their lives. The American consul is investigating.

The annexation fever has spread to Japan, which recently has raised the flag of the Rising Sun over a small island south of Japan. The island is said to have been discovered by an American captain and marked on the chart as St. Marius Island. A small colony has been sent to cultivate the

News reaches Vancouver of a terrific typhoon in Formosa early in August. At Taipeh, 768 houses were destroyed, 395 seriously damaged, and 23 washed away. Nineteen people were

News of the Kwang Si rebellion is meager. A report says that at Watlam the imperial troops made an as-

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Company Destroyed. Toronto, Sept. 2 .- About 1 o'clock this morning a fire started in the Bertram engine and shipbuilding works, corner of Bathurst and Niagara streets, and within an hour the premises were gutted. A general alarm was rung, and almost all the reels of the city were soon playing on the fire, but it made rapid headway and the building and machinery are total-

ly destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$60,000 to

\$70,000. In the yards was the fine new steamer of the Richelieu and Ontario Company, the City of Toronto, valued as \$250,000, which was to have been placed in commission in a week or two. At 2 a.m. the fire was under control, and the steamer was saved. The lumber yards were in danger, but the fire was kept from spreading to them. The cause of the fire is said to have en an explosion in the woodwor

#### pany is John Bertram, M. P. for Center Toronto. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Deputations From the United States

Received. Quebec, Sept. 2.-The commissioners did not sit until 2 p.m. yesterday, by request of the United States representatives, who wanted the morning to

hear important deputations.

The representatives of the Boston Board of Trade discussed the reciprocity question. The delegation of the American lumbermen argued in favor of the maintenance of the duties as they are now in force; that the lumber trade over the border gives employment to almost as many hands as the whole population of Canada. Another point which they advanced is that the lumber interests should not be interfered with by treaty, but left to congress. If this matter is left to congress it could always be repealed if found unsatisfactory, while if settled by a treaty this could not be done without the mutual consent of both nations. Mr. Warner Miller, of New York, is in town in the interests of the pulp paper manufacturers, and wants the tariff to remain just as it is now. This industry of late has been making great

Each delegation was allowed onehalf hour's audience with the American commissioners. As far as can be gathered from Capt. James J. Cox, who is here on behalf of the British Columbia sealers, his constituents would be willing to abandon the business, which has not been so advantageous of late, on receiving a fair compensation, of, say, \$200 per ton of the gross tonnage of the vessels now employed, which is 742,400. Otherwise they want to be left untrammeled by the renewal or revi-

strides in the United States, and most

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