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**News Summary**

Chinese insurgents have captured two more towns in the Province of Yunnan.

Lieut. Governor Joly on Monday dismissed Premier Prior, and called upon Richard McBride to form a ministry.

Fire at Tilsonburg, Ont., on Monday destroyed eleven business places and twelve residences.

Premier McBride of British Columbia has decided to organize his Cabinet on Conservative lines.

Two men convicted of murdering the captain and six others of the New Brunswick bark Veronica were hanged at Liverpool last week.

The English cotton trade is so depressed that 15,000 looms have been stopped in southeast Lancashire in order to curtail the production.

Capt. E. T. Wawe, a native of the United States, started from Sydney on Sunday to cross the Atlantic in a boat eleven feet nine inches long.

Three masked men boarded a suburban car running to East St. Louis on Wednesday, robbed J. Bowers, the motorman, and killed the conductor, John N. Keith.

Joseph Gosselin, under sentence of death at Montmagny, Que., for the murder of a woman named Teatrau, will not be hanged. The government has commuted the sentence to imprisonment for life.

Col. Gordon, commanding the Montreal brigade, has entered a suit against the city for \$18,863, for the pay of militiamen called out to guard the wharves during the longshoremen's strike.

It is generally understood that there are three tenders for the fast Atlantic service, emanating from the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Allen and the Dominion Steamship Companies.

Monday morning a serious fire broke out near Curry's Corner, Amherst, in which two barns with their contents were burned and a large house owned by Capt. Thomas King was badly gutted. Loss about \$6,000.

A law has been published in St. Petersburg giving a list of 101 towns in Russia in which Jews are allowed to acquire land and live without restriction. Jews are temporarily forbidden to buy land outside the places where they still be legally settled.

A moose which had perhaps been driven from the woods by the forest fires was captured in St. John harbor on Wednesday last. After being kept a day or two in confinement the animal was set at liberty. The appearance of moose and deer are reported at different settlements of late.

The district executive boards of the United Mine Workers of America have issued a call for a convention to be held at Wilkesbarre on June 15. The object of the convention is to decide whether the miners shall suspend work pending the settlement of the difficulties existing in the conciliation board.

There was a renewal of trouble on the Bulgarian frontier on Wednesday night. A band of 1,200 Bulgarians crossed the frontier near Djumabala and Turkish troops encountered another band of twenty men near Petrich, 53 miles from Salonica. Three of the Bulgarians were killed and the rest escaped in the darkness. A court martial at Salonica has condemned four Bulgarians to death.

Eight people were killed and seven injured in a collision between two Santa Fe trains at Stillwell, Kansas, on Thursday. The trains were running over the Missouri Pacific tracks, owing to the flooded condition of the Santa Fe tracks. Both trains were in charge of pilots, and it is said that one of the pilots misreads his orders, causing the accident.

Nearly 1,500 English women have been sent to various stations in South Africa since 1901 by the South African Expansion Committee, and most satisfactory reports have been received from the majority of them. The women travel in charge of a matron, and on their arrival are placed in care of a government department until they enter situations.

On Wednesday afternoon fire broke out on the outskirts of the city of Hull (Opposite Ottawa), and at one time, as there was a stiff breeze blowing it was feared that a repetition of the conflagration of 1901 might be the result. Fortunately, however, it was extinguished before it reached the main part of the city. There were twenty-eight small buildings, principally wooden shacks, burned down, and over 200 people are homeless. Those burned out are a poor class of people who worked in the mills. The loss is about \$5,000.

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