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UNITED STATES KNEW BRITISH JAPANESE ALLIANCE WAS TO BE.

Statement Causes Some Interesting Comment in the London Press—The Whole Subject of Big Interest in British Parliament—Views of Minister Who Signed for Japan.

London, Feb. 14.—The statement of Lord Cranborne in the house of commons yesterday, that the substance of the Anglo-Japanese agreement was communicated to the United States government before publication, has excited renewed discussion as to the attitude of the United States in the world the treaty should have been previously communicated to the United States, since America, the acknowledged owner of the Philippines, has no interest in the far east comparable to those of Great Britain and Japan.

DEAD AT LEAST NINE.

MOUNTAIN BATTLE AT TURNER'S SALOON AN AFFAIR OF BLOOD.

Death List May Be Swelled, for Flames of Burning Building May Have Claimed Several Lives—Turner Gathering Forces to Attack Authorities.

Middleboro, Ky., Feb. 13.—Although the scene of the fight yesterday between the sheriff's posse and Lee Turner's men is less than ten miles from this city, it is still impossible to ascertain the exact casualties of the Turner side. It is known that nine men, all told, are dead, but it is not yet known definitely how many men were in the log cabin when the flames made the attack and burned it. It may be that several were killed or wounded and were consumed in the flames.

FREDERICTON

FURNISHES TWO SENSATIONS.

Angry Father Arrives from Brockton and Takes Home Runaway Daughter.

WAS TO BE MARRIED.

Presence of Brockton Young Man in Celestial City Led to Suspicion—Fistic Battle in a Barn With Seconds in Attendance.

Fredericton, Feb. 13.—(Special)—Joseph Richards, of Brockton, Mass., arrived here on the noon train today in search of his 17-year-old daughter who disappeared from home on Monday and whom he suspected was in this city in company with a young man, a late arrival from Brockton, and employed by the Hart Book and Shoe Company.

POLYGAMY IS PRACTICED.

MINISTERS OF SALT LAKE CITY SUBMIT A REPORT.

Say Mormons Openly Defy the Law—Ministerial Alliance Trying to Secure Constitutional Amendments Against Polygamy—Elders Deny Statements.

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 13.—The Ministerial Alliance of Salt Lake has unanimously adopted the report of the committee of that organization which was appointed to investigate and report on the alleged practice and teaching of polygamy by the Mormons at the present time. The report is to be used as a petition for the passage of a constitutional amendment prohibiting polygamy and will be sent to the legislative committee of congress. The report sets forth that positive evidence can be produced that polygamy is both practiced and taught by the Mormons now in open defiance of the laws of the state. The document contains numerous quoted statements, alleged to have been made by Mormon leaders, in which the practice and teaching of polygamy are advocated and urged.

ELEVEN NEW MEMBERS AND SIX NEW SENATORS MAKE THEIR BOW.

Opening of the Ninth Parliament of Canada—Much Ceremony Marked the Event—Mr. Blair in Better Health—Mr. Charlton Has a Resolution.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—(Special)—The attendance at today's ceremonial of the opening of the ninth parliament of the Dominion of Canada was the largest on record. The function was attended with all the pomp and display peculiar to the occasion. It was an ideal day for the ceremonial, with bright sunshine and a clear, mild atmosphere, all contributing to the effectiveness of the military display and its enjoyment by the hundreds of spectators on Parliament Hill. Lord Minto was accompanied by a brilliant retinue. The speech from the throne contained what was given in the forecast in this correspondence yesterday.

PREFERENCE FOR THE PRODUCTS OF CANADA.

Montreal Board of Trade Called to Consider Robert Meighen's Resolution.

Montreal, Feb. 13.—(Special)—A general meeting of the board of trade has been called for Feb. 20, to consider a resolution suggested by Robert Meighen, president of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, expressing opinion that, as the colonies, especially Canada, are now producing in increasing quantities, grain, flour, cattle and dairy products, all of which are constantly required by the mother country, Great Britain can best serve her own interests and theirs by adopting such change in her fiscal policy as would give colonial products a preference in her markets against the products of foreign countries, and which would serve to make the colonies attractive to a large number of British subjects annually immigrating from the British Isles.

OLD MAN'S THROAT CUT AND SKULL BROKEN.

Peleg Cornell, Aged 70, Murdered for His Money.

Fall River, Mass., Feb. 13.—Peleg Cornell, 70 years old, who lived alone in a house between Adamsville, R. I., and Little Compton, about 13 miles south of Fall River, was found dead in his house today, with his throat cut and his head pounded in with an axe. Beside the body was a large butcher knife, covered with blood. In the bushes opposite the house was found a bloodstained axe. The axe and the knife both belonged to Cornell. The only motive for the murder known at present is robbery. The man was supposed to have considerable money in his house of late, but none was found.

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CORONER'S INQUEST.

Enquiry Into Fatality at Lower Hillsboro Plaster Quarry.

Hillsboro, Feb. 12.—Dr. B. A. Marvin, of Hillsboro, has just concluded an inquest held on the body of Noble H. Steeves, a victim of the quarry at Lower Hillsboro. The jury, of which James Blight was foreman, brought in the following verdict: "The deceased, Noble H. Steeves, came to his death from injuries received by a fall of frozen earth at the King plaster quarry on February 11th, 1902. According to the evidence given we do not attach any blame to the management but we would suggest that in operating the quarry before men are allowed to work at bottom of quarries."

BRITISH PRESS UNANIMOUS.

Praise for Lord Dufferin as Governor-General of Canada—Premier Laurier Cables Sympathy.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—(Special)—The Telegram special cable from London says: "Referring to Lord Dufferin's term of service as Governor of the Dominion the Times today says 'his work in Canada was of vast consequence to the solidarity of this empire and permanent happiness of the Canadian people. No one has presented more eloquently the true policy for them to follow loyally to the crown and friendly in relations with the United States.'" The Daily Chronicle says: "To him we owe the unity of Canada in its present form and its rapid extension of progress from ocean to ocean." The Daily News says: "He delighted

GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE AT THE CAPITAL.

Harry Beckwith Residence Leased—Purchase of Steamer Aberdeen.

Fredericton, Feb. 13.—(Special)—Governor Snowdon has completed arrangements with Harry Beckwith for the lease for one year of the latter's house and premises, on University avenue, for a residence for his family. The rental is \$300 a year. Mr. Beckwith to leave in the house such furniture as he may not care to remove.

ABOUT HALF THE CARGO OF THE GRECIAN OUT.

Another Attempt to Get the Steamer Off the Rocks Near Halifax.

Halifax, Feb. 13.—(Special)—Reports from outside the harbor this morning were to the effect that a heavy southerly gale was running, but the wind was westerly and the sea was not locking the wrecked Grecian very much. Lighters were at work again this morning, and the pumps were being overhauled, so as to be ready for another attempt to get the ship off.

TALK OF EXHUMING BODY OF MONCTON MAN.

Relatives of Late Robert W. Kelly Fear He Was Not Dead When Buried.

Moncton, Feb. 13.—(Special)—Friends of the late Robert W. Kelly, who expired very suddenly Friday last and was buried on Sunday, are talking of exhuming the body to satisfy a belief in some quarters that he was not dead when committed to the tomb. It seems that there was some suspicion before the funeral took place that life was not extinct as the family physician had been called in Sunday morning to examine the corpse and give his opinion as to the possibility of the man being alive. The physician pronounced him dead. Yesterday, however, relatives talked of having the body exhumed but steps have not yet been taken to that end.

MAIL REGISTRY SYSTEM IN THE SUDAN.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The Egyptian postal administration has advised the government that post offices for the receipt and despatch of registered mails have been established at Khartoum, Fashoda and 25 other places in the Sudan. Postmasters throughout the United States have been instructed to be prepared to receive and register mails to and from these places.

PENSION PILING UP THIRTY-FIVE YEARS.

Soldier Writes Asking About Claim Filed in 1867 --- \$1,200 if He Gets It.

Washington, Feb. 13.—A letter was received at the pension office this morning which shows that not all the old soldiers are keen on a pension sent, or all the attorneys sharks. This man filed in April, 1867, a claim for pension for injury done in 1865. He was living in New York at the time of filing. He afterward removed to Kentucky, where he is still following his trade as a shoemaker. He has never tried to push his case ahead from day he put the claim in. He now writes to say that he fears his attorney may have neglected his claim, and he would like to hear how it is getting on.

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MANY INDICTMENTS IN TUNNEL EXPLOSION CASE.

New York Grand Jury Demands Trial of Contractors and Workmen.

New York, Feb. 13.—The grand jury returned a series of indictments today against the contractors and workmen alleged to have been responsible for the fatal and destructive explosion on Park avenue on January 27, and the city officials charged with dereliction in the storing of explosives. An indictment for manslaughter in the first degree was found against Mr. Shaler, the rapid transit subway contractor, who is building the Park avenue section of the tunnel in which the explosion occurred. He was indicted also for illegal storage of dynamite. Messrs. Phelps, the powder house watchman; Ernest G. Matheson, chief engineer, and Joseph Bracken, laborer, were indicted for manslaughter in the first degree, and Matheson and Bracken for illegal storage. Superintendent Geo. Murray and Inspector Smith, of the bureau of criminal investigation, were indicted on a charge of criminal negligence, and Charles E. Fraser, engineer, for illegal storage.

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PULP AND PAPER MEN MEET IN NEW YORK.

Two Hundred and Fifty at Annual Session—Paper Price May Be Forced Up.

New York, Feb. 13.—The 23rd annual meeting of the American Paper & Pulp Association began today at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel. About 250 members were present. The president is Arthur C. Hastings, of Niagara Falls, but he was unable to be present on account of illness. George W. Knowlton, of Watertown, N. Y., one of the vice-presidents, presided.

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