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RUSSIANS HAVE NOT DEPARTED

Czar Does Not Intend to Quit Port Arthur.

SHOTS EXCHANGED ON SUNDAY

Port Arthur Again Bombarded, Says a Dispatch, Russians Losing Three Hundred Men.

CORRESPONDENTS FIRED.

Seoul, March 15. - The Japanese authorities have ordered the newspaper correspondents at Ping Yang and Anju to return. They also refuse to honor the permits formerly given for correspondents to accompany troops to the front, and are holding them at Seoul. This action is regarded as significant.

HAS NOT ESCAPED.

the Echo de Paris says that rumors to the effect that Vladivostock and Port miners, customs duty and stamp taxes, Arthur squadrons have been united and in addition the creation of new are received with incredulity by the general staff. The correspondent says and woolen, an estimated total amountthat the rumors are probably due to ing to 68,000,000 yen. The war expenses Vice-Admiral Marakoff's frequent from the commencement of hostilities sorties. The correspondent says that to the end of March are estimated at General Zilinski is now Viceroy Alexieff's chief of staff, and is acting under his orders in succession to Major-General Pflug.

KUROPATKIN HOPEFUL.

"There was an error in the transmission or my dispatch of March 11,' adds the correspondent, "which attributed to General Kuropatkin the statement that he hoped to finish with Japanese before the end of July. What he really said was: 'I do not know whether any great action will occur before July, but I hope to finish before the end of the year and leave the field clear to the plenipotentiaries intrusted with the drawing up of the onditions of peace.

WHAT FIGHT WAS THIS? Tien Tsin, March 15. - A foreigner

just arrived from Port Arthur reports that a short engagement took place between the Russian and Japanese fleets on Sunday last, the Russian proexchanged.

The Imperial Chinese Railway Company is considering the withdrawal of SMITH GREETS FAMILIES station force and able property from New Chwang. MUST HOLD PORT ARTHUR.

London, Wednesday, March 16 .- According to a correspondent Daily Mail at New Chwang, General Kuropatkin has wired Lieutenant-General Stoessel that he must hold Port Arthur with the present garrison.

MINED THE COAST. Rumors from the theater of war are plentiful. The Daily Express correspondent at Berlin gives an alleged official intimation from the Russian ambassador that Vice-Admiral Marakoff has mined the coast of the peninsula in Port Arthur, the mines extending three miles seaward.

RUSSIA'S HEAVY LOSS. A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Yin Kow says that the Japanese again attacked Port Arthur, March 12, as a challenge for Vice-Admiral Marakoff to come out and fight During the heavy bombardment, the correspondent says, the Japanese were in a position safe from the guns of the fortress. The Russian casualties amounted to 300 killed or wounded. The correspondent adds that this is

MARAKOFF THANKS HIS MEN.

A Port Arthur dispatch says: 'Grand Duke Cyril, cousin of the Emperor, has arrived here. Vice-Admiral Marakoff today visited the torpedo boat destroyers which participated in the fight with the Japanese on March 10, and warmly thanked the officers and crew for their splendid behavior. The admiral distributed decorations.' The Czar will receive the German and Swiss military attaches at St. Petersburg, who leave for the front Friday, these being the first of the

foreign attaches to go. KOREA'S KING MOVES.

Seoul, Wednesday, March 16. - The Emperor intends to leave his town palace and return to Yunbok, his palace in the outskirts of the city. was here that the Queen was assassinated and from which the Emperor fled to the Russian legation in 1896. His present residence is situated in the nidst of the foreign legation, so that his removal to Yunbok will doubtless be more satisfactory to the Japanese

RUSSIAN CAPTAIN EXECUTED

Ivkov Sold Military Secrets to the Japanese.

St. Petersburg, March 16, 1:50 p.m .-Captain Ivkov, of the Manchurian flight. commissariat service, has been summarily court martialed and shot, for acting as a spy in the pay of the Japanese. When arrested on suspicion espionage, documents found in lvkov's possession left no doubt of the truth of the charges that he had long been revealing military secrets to the Japanese. The tragic story became public through a simple announcement in the army organ this morning that Ivkov had been excluded from the ser-

NO SIGN OF ENEMY.

Port Arthur, March 16. - Everything is quiet here. There is no sign of the Advices from Feng Huan Cheng (about 45 miles northwest of Wiju) say the Russian troops are showing an admirable spirit in surmounting the difficulties and hardships of the march over the frozen tracts of East

RAISING THE MONEY.

How Japan Will Get Funds to Carry

on War. Tokio, Wednesday, March 16. - The cabinet after a conference with the elder statesmen and other political leaders, has decided to submit proposals for the extension of the tobacco monopoly to include manufactured to-bacco, and the creation of a salt monopoly to a special Diet, convening on Friday next. This will involve a

THE WAR SITUATION

Still another attack of Marakoff's fleet and hombardment of Port Arthur by the Japs is reported. The Russian loss is placed at 300. This may be another account of Sunday's big fight. A slight engagement at sea is reported in which the warship Diana was injured. Russia declares no abandonment of Port Arthur is intended. Kuropatkin has left for the scene of the campaign, having perfected his plans. The that Marakoff had escaped with his fleet proves untrue. Russian troops are moving towards the Yalu from Harbin.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of gest increases in land, income, busi-156,000,000 yen, divided as follows: 108,-000,000 yen for the army, and 47,000,000 yen for the navy. Of this sum only 50,000,000 yen has actually been disbursed, including the payment for the cruisers Nisshin and Kasuga, purchased abroad. The Government plans to meet the expenditures to the end of March with 100,000,000 yen from exchequer bonds just sold; 25,000,000 yen from the special funds, and 31,000,000 yen to be raised by a temporary loan. The expenditure on account of the war from April next to December inclusive is estimated at 380,000,000 ven besides a special war reserve of 40,000,-000 yen. The Government plans to meet these expenditures by the issuof 280,000,00 yen in exchequer bonds, 68,000,000 yen in war taxes, 7,-000.000 balance on ordinary annual receipts, and 25,000,000 yen from special funds. The foreign branches of the Yokohama specie bank report subscriptions for the first issue of bonds, totaltected cruiser Diana receiving some ing 850,000 yen. These bonds were injuries. About 20 or 30 shells were largely subscribed for in the Hawaiian Islands and San Francisco.

Mormon Chief Holds a Reunion of Wives and Children.

Salt Lake City, March 16. - Joseph ceived his various families all the afternoon. His five wives and thirty-two After this formal greeting the president, in a carriage, made the rounds! of his five homes, whither his wives and the younger children had preceded In the evening the president attended a council of the apostles and the seventies

THE PROPATRIA SAFE

Long Lost Steamer Turns Up at St. Pierre.

missing French mail steamer Propatria is safe at St. Pierre, Miquelon, according to a cable received from that port this morning. No particulars are given. LATER.

out having sustained much damage. The stopped again, and remained so until of the French shore, Newfoundland. 1 o'clock this morning. She was compelled to use her woodwork for fuel. The passengers and crew are in good health, and did not suffer greatly, the

provision supply having been sufficient. CZECH RACE RIOT

Mob in Upper Austria Gets After Vio linist Kabelik.

race hatred led to a serious, riot at where a mob of infuriated Germans, in revenge for the ill-treatment of their hall in which Jan Kubelik, the Bo- orange. hemian violinist was giving a concert, compelling the artist to seek safety in

Before the doors of the concert hall were opened the mob attacked the carriage of the district governor, Count smashed the decorative mirrors and threw missiles at Kubelik. The concert was stopped and the audience dispersed amidst offensive

AUSTRIAN ROYAL

later continued outside Kubelik's hotel.

The demonstrations were

Budapest Mob Raids the Residence of Francis

Joseph.

& KAISER EXPELS RUSS STUDENTS

Shadowing by Czar's Spies.

Hot Exchange in Parliament Between Von Buelow and Herr Bebel.

Berlin, March 16.-Thirty Russian students, several of them women, have received yesterday and today, from the police, notices of expulsion, in conselice agents to watch Russian residents

in Germany. eight days in which to leave the coun- chairman read the report of the execustances.

Russian spies to search the rooms, ex- ters. amine the correspondence and otherwise
Sir William Mulock moved the adopinterfere with the liberty of Russians tion of the report which he had not living in Germany. Foreign Secretary, read as far as details were concerned Von Richthofen, in defending the Gov- but with the spirit of which he entireernment Jan. 19, said the Russians here ly agreed. He said that the empire women attending the university or loudly for unity, but by common sentiother schools were really not students, ment which was the strongest cement but lived in a state of immorality. A for unity, Although of different nation-

against these imputations. Chancellor Von Buelow answering was united as a Canadian people. There Herr Bebel, the Socialist leader, on the was work to be done in Canada as well same subject Feb. 29, contemptuously as abroad. To secure unity at home alluded to the protestants as "beggars as well as abroad was a good reason and conspirators under the leadership for the existence of the league. of Mandelstams, and Silberbaums."

ternoon. His five wives and thirty-two of his forty-two children were present.

Russia of Kishineff, which excludes with. them from the higher educational in- NOT DEBATABLE YET. stitutions of their native country. We It might, however, be assumed that regret that the twentieth century, in Canada was a unit in the proposition

THE FRENCH SHORE

Made an Arrangement.

st. Pierre, march 16. - The long to a report that an announcement is any bargain or contract. No contract arrived here at 9 a.m., apparently with- to be expected that an amicable ar- was necessary to make Canada do her ressel struck heavy ice two hours after rangement has been reached by France duty when the occasion arose. leaving here on Feb. 28, being complete- and Great Britain on all outstanding adoption of the report. He agreed with ly stopped for four hours; later she was question between them, including that all that Sir William Mulock said, ex-

A SEEDLESS APPLE

Californian Grower Turns Out New Fruit.

New York, March 16. - A dispatch to the Sun from Glenwood Springs, Vienna, March 16. — German Czech fruit grower of Grand Junction, Col., Ling, the capital of Upper Austria, apple. The apple looks like a navel compatriots at Prague stormed the very similar to that of the seedless ing in favor of state-owned cables con-

The tree on which the seedless fruit grows is unusual in that it has no blossoms. Spencer will not reveal the secret of his budding and grafting.

COLOMBIA STILL A FACTOR. Paris, March 16. - The Paris edition Wickenburg, with stones. The police letter from Dr. Jorg Holguin, former had difficulty in protecting the count Minister of Foreign Affairs of Colomfrom personal injury. The mob then bia, later acting president and now forced the police cordon, invaded the financial delegate of the Colombian Government, denying that Colombia has withdrawn its suit against the Panama Canal Company or has recalled the troops sent against the Republic of Panama.

BANDIT TURNS PREACHER Chicago, March 16. - Harvey Van Dine, one of the condemned carbarn bandits, will become a preacher in the county jail and will endeavor to con-PALACES STONED vert his co-defendants and others. The fail officials are of the opinion that the religious fervor which has taken possible. religious fervor which has taken posion of Van Dine is genuine.

DIED OF STARVATION. Philadelphia, March 16. - Mary Far rell, known also as Mary Hansel, aged 61 years, was found dead, and her sister, Mrs. Bridget Kennedy, 65 years of age, was found demented vesterday in an unfurnished frame house at the rear of 123) North Front street, the result, according to the police. Vienna, March 16. — The palaces of starvation. The dead woman and her Emperor Francis Joseph and Arch-sister were entirely nude when found, duchess Clothilde at Budapest were the demented woman having stripped stoned by a meb of students and work- their clothing from both their persons

The Latter Protested Against Annual Meeting of the British Empire League.

WAS PERMITTED BY GERMANY FAVORS NEW FISCAL POLICY

Sir Wm. Mulock Declares Commo Sentiment Strongest Cement to Bind Empire.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Ont., March 16. - The an nual general meeting of the British quence of participating in a meeting Empire League was held this afternoon held Saturday to protest against the in the railway committee room of the Government's permitting Russian po- House of Commons. Col. Denison, the president occupied the chair. There The students have from three to was a very small attendance. The

try and may select the frontier to cross, the Government not compelling them to return to Russia, as in some in- growing feeling in favor of imperial unity and declared that the league in The origin of the dispute between Canada was in earnest and hearty symthe Government and the students, pathy with Mr. Chamberlain's policy, about five hundred of whom are attending the university and technical creased postal facilities between Canaschools, was the Socialist accusation da and other parts of the empire, milthat the Government was permitting itary and naval defense and other mat-

were anarchists and that many of the was not going to be united by calling few days later from forty to fifty Rus-sians passed a resolution protesting worshiping the some flag both at home and abroad. They should see Canada

While he held that common sentiment "If these fellows do not keep quiet," was the strongest cement to bind the said the chancellor, "we will throw people of the empire together he recognized that there was a feeling for close About four hundred Russian students trade relations between all parts of met on Saturday and signed a state- the empire. A few years ago Canada. ment reciting the utterances of Sec- gave Britain a trade preference and An Original Idea of the Russians to Many Thousands in New York Are retary Von Richthofen and Chancellor two years ago at the colonial confer-Von Buelow, Referring to the Chancel- ence the colonial Premiers decided in lor's assertion that they were abusing favor of giving preferences to the mothe hospitality of Germany the Rus- ther land and suggesting that Britain sians said that even guests had the should reciprocate. The result of this natural right of resenting insults flung at them by their hosts.

was a mighty struggle in Britain for a change of the fiscal system.

knows, to the special oppression to Canada we had complete autonomy. ed by everyone."

anti-Semitic sallies of the German Canada is that we would welcome reChancellor."

Canada is that we would welcome reciprocal trade relations between Canon the Chinese robber bands, who may can only be made, that will be final, and for all time. From the 428 persons who signed the statement 30 were selected for expulsional statement 30 were selected for e years ago the struggle for commerce was around the Mediterranean, and then the railroad. Halifax, N. S., March 16. — The long- Britain and France Believed to Have baric nation and the more cultivated the Novoe Vremya, claiming that the seen the struggle between a semi-bar-Japanese on the Pacific. Canada was to be the great highway for commerce New York, March 16.-A cable to the a duty to herself and the empire in Sun from London says: The Times doing what she could to strengthen the St. Pierre, March 16. — The long- and some other papers give prominence be done, and would be done, without

cept the statement that Canadians had no right to interfere in the fiscal con-

troversy in Britain. As a British subject he claimed the right to discuss such questions in any part of the empire. He thought the Government should follow the example of Manitoba and express approval of the petition of Mr. Chamberlain. Mr. Tarte moved, and Dr. Russell seconded, a resolution in favor of imperial preferential trade, and stated Col., says: After experimenting for should be made in Britain that Canada seven years John F. Spencer, an old is not in favor of mutual preference.

Mr. McKinnon, Charlottetown, moved a resolution to the effect that the question of national defense apple. The apple looks like a navel deserves the best consideration of Parorange. Its inside is entirely solid and liament. This was adopted, as was there is a depression in the navel end also a resolution by Sir Sandford Flemnecting the British Empire, and another congratulating Sir Frederick Borden on his appointment to the imperial defense committee. The old officers were re-elected.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

TOMORROW-FINE AND MILD. London, Wednesday, March 16. Sun rises..6:28 a.m. Moon rises..6:09 p.m. Sun sets...6:25 p.m. Moon sets...6:00 p.m. Toronto, March 15—8 p.m. moderate depression has moved into the Maritime Provinces tonight from the southward, accompanied by snow. Efse-where in Canada the weather is generally fair and continued moderately cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 38-49; Calgary, 6 below-16; Qu'Appelle, 6 below-16; Winnipeg, 12-30; Port Arthur, 6-26; Parry Sound, 22-34; Toronto, 26-36; Ottawa, 22-34; Montreal, 18-30; Quebec, 14-32; Halifax, 22-38.

FORECASTS. Wednesday, March 16-8 a.m. Today—Fine and moderately cold.

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GRAND STAND SAFE?

CZAR'S PRESS ANOTHER GIANT

Rumored Desertion of Port U.S. Industrial World Threat Arthur Stock Jobbing Plan.

ened With Big Fight.

LOCOMOTIVES TO SCARE BANDITS CENTERS ABOUT "OPEN SHOP"

Keep Chinese From Cutting the Line.

St. Petersburg, March 16. - 1:50 p.m. "Besides this," the statement conchange the policy of fifty years and of the industrial world, and the situation one member this afternoon. "We'll the industrial world, and the situation one member this afternoon. "We'll the industrial world, and the situation one member this afternoon." tinued, "he undertook by referring to the Jewish origin of part of the Rusthe Jewish origin of part of the Russians here to arouse anti-Semitic prejudices against us. Count Von Buelow, the highest official of the German Emina a question of this kind, which was tries be fed on such tales, but while the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work, and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale already 20,000 men are out of work and the tale alrea Salt Lake City, March 16. — Joseph F. Smith, president of the Mormon Church, arrived Monday from Washington, and signalized his return by a big family reunion. He went to the big family reunion. He went to the big family reunion are signal to the family reunion. He went to the big family reunion are signal to the family reunion. He went to the big family reunion are signal to the family reunion are signal to the family reunion. He went to the big family reunion are signal to the family reunion are signal to the family reunion. He went to the big family reunion are signal to the family reunion of the family re

> The Government is building some armored trains for use on the Manchur- is caused by a disagreement over arian railroad, after the model of those used by the British in South Africa. of the unions, the eight hour day, and the land of Lessing and Fichte, witnesses such disregard for the great
> idea of humanity, as evinced by these
> anti-Semitic sallies of the German
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> Changellon."
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> Canada was a unit in the proposition
> the proposition premiers in England. The subject was not a debatable one in Canada. Public opinion in
> Canada is that we would welcome recanada is that we would welcome rethe Chinese robber hands who may composition of the unions, the eight nour day, and
> the "Open Shop." The difficulties are
> a repetition of those of last year, but
> it is conservatively stated they are of
> greater magnitude.
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it came to the Atlantic, and now was | The Russ prints a long leading artiele controverting a series of articles in war was brought on by the machinabetween these countries. Canada had Kishineff occurrences, declaring that the Novoe Vremya's contention is absurd, and scoring the latter for sowing race hatred at such a critical time Slavists, in the Svet, replies to statements recently made by M. Kurino, the former Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, declaring that Japan is solely to blame for the war, "the political savages of Japan having en-

snared their country in this wild adven-The Novosti prints an article by an expert to prove the feasibility of the

join the Pacific squadron in the spring. MUSKRATS DOUSE LIGHTS

In Darkness.

Brantford, Ont., March 16.—The city was in darkness last night. The cause of the trouble is a collapse of power at the electric plant, which supplies light for the city. The energy is produced by the water of the canal, which runs from the Grand River to Mohawk Lake, a stretch of three miles, in the course of which there is a fall of 33 feet. The discovered that muskrats had burrowed through the embankment skirting the lake, and the water of the canal, instead of flowing to the company's plant, was flooding vacant fields, and threatening to submerge the T., H. and B. Railway tracks, which

At first the break was only four feet to give way, and finally the embank-ment caved in, tearing a breach two St. Thomas. feet wide and fifteen feet deep. All the The head gates at the entrance to the canal were speedily closed, and all the water was drained off. The brock in water was drained off. The break is being repaired. The Electric Company set up an auxiliary plant of arc lights this afternoon, but is operating under difficulties All lights are out Local factories running by electrical energy have been forced to close down tem- The Cousin of Queen Victoria porarily. Four traction engines are being used to propel dynamos, for the It is estimated that the pranks of the muskrats will cost the Electric Company a sum in the neighborhood of

LEAMINGTON WON THE CASE. judgment for the

Idle-All the Building Trades

Interested.

New York, March 16. - Labor trou-The reports of the abandonment of bles as a result of which many thousfamous "Beehive House," where he reigin is due, as Count Von Buelow well engaging the attention of Canadians. In
ficial telegrams are believed and trustthousehout the country before wight throughout the country, before night-

The dissension in both these trades bitration agreements with employers, and involves the absolute recognition

iron monsters they will not come near it was caused by their employers posting a notice cutting down overtime charges. The plan of the employers they assert, is to inaugurate an "Ope Shop" policy. That means the right of employer to employ men regard less of union affiliations. The laborers were quickly supported the bricklayers, and the allied

trades. The housesmiths were followed by riggers, steamfitters, boilermakers M. Komanroff, the leader of the Pan- and inside iron workers, as well as a number of electrical workers. DESTRUCTIVE RABBITS

Windsor, Ont., March 16. - The deep snow of the winter will cost the dents of Windsor hundreds of dollars' worth of shrubbery and fruit trees. ground south of the city, were unable to secure food and driven into the city Baltic fleet making the northern pas- by hunger, they attacked the trees in sage, by way of the Bering Straits, to gardens, girdling many valuable ones in such a manner that they were destroyed. Field mice assisted the rab-

bits in their work of destruction. THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS London, March 16. - George R. Parthat they regretted that the statement The Little Redents Plunge Brantford kin, representing the trustees of the will of the late Cecil Rhodes, sailed for New York today from Southampton, on the North German Lloyd Line steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, in connection with the holding of examinations in the United States and Canada for Rhodes scholarships at Oxford.

A SCHOOL TROUBLE ENDED. Windsor, Ont., March 16. - The deeds transferring the Pelissier school property to the separate school board of plant of the company is situated near Windsor have been signed, thus final-Mohawk Lake. Monday night it was ly ending the trouble, which has existed between the two boards ever since separate schools were established in Windsor.

NEW TURKISH WARSHIP. Newport News, Va., March 16. - The formal transfer of the cruiser Medjidia, built by the Cramps, to the Turkish Government, has been made wide, and was eight feet below the sur- and the Turkish flag was raised on face of the water. The earth continued the warship. The Medjidia sailed for

CRITICALLY ILL

Close to Death at London.

London, March 16.-The Duke of Cambridge, cousin of the late Queen Victoria. Learnington, Ont., March 16. - Judge is in a critical condition. Recent bulletown in the case of the Learnington been of a reassuring nature, but this minority there was no need to trample were not decorated in honor of the empty house five weeks ago by and the solution of the Government regard the expenditure at this time as wise.

The cabinat has decided also to sug-

PRICE TWO CENTS.

BARLESS HOTELS SAYS PREMIER

Understood He Stands by Original Proposition.

THE LIBERALS HOLD A CAUCUS

Granting of Railway Bonuses Also Discussed-Another Meeting To Be Held.

Toronto, March 15. - From 11:30 to 1:30 today the Liberal members of the Legislature remained in cau-cus in the public accounts commitroom on the second floor of Parliament buildings. For the two hours of the session Mr. O'Brien, housekeeper, sat on guard on the opposite side of the corridor, so that by no accident the door of the room might be acci-dentally opened by passers-by. Shortly after 1 the members began to strag-gle out, and in a few minutes the door was thrown open and the room became

The temperance question was, of course, the main issue under discussion. and the one in which the interest was

aroused.

It is understood that Mr. Ross adhered to the original proposition made by him a week ago, namely, that the sale of liquor should be prohibited in hotels, and that the sale of liquor in any other way should be under strict Government control. If any amendments were made to the license law that might be in the public interest they would be considered entirely outside of Mr. Ross' larger proposition. It is understood that no other proposition was today considered regarding the temperance question.

Other matters discussed in caucus ly introduced by Mr. Davis in the Leg-islature, and the attitude of the Government towards certain railway enterprises in the matter of granting

bonuses. It was rumored after the caucus rose that it was simply adjourned, and that another meeting will be held on Friday, when the temperance question will be again discussed. It is known that several of the members have been expressing views in opposition to temerance legislation of a radical sort at this session. In fact, they were suffi-ciently numerous to vote down the proposition on an informal vote, which was again discussed today. "Talk about getting business of the House at

we'll see all the O J C races again He was laughing, but there seemed to be a streak of seriousness in his

of the license department as Provincial Secretary, was not present, being in attendance at a meeting down-The Conservative members of tha

day to discuss the same question.

Generally speaking, their attitude is

simply a waiting one.

BOURASSA AND THE NEW LEAGUE

Eloquent Speech of Labelle's Member On French-Canadian Loyalty.

Ottawa, March 15. - In the Commons today, Mr. Bourassa stated that the Nationalist League was composed of young men of the better element in both parties. In Quebec Mr. Bourassa had explained the programme of the Wild rabbits, which infest the low league, which was indorsed by the French Conservative newspapers there, who accused the Liberals of appropriating the policy originated by the Conservatives. (Ministerial laughter and In Ontario Mr. Casgrain applause). posed as the great friend of the British Empire, but in Quebec his attitude was the very reverse. Speaking in the County of Kamouraska in his most eloquent style, Mr. Casgrain had used language something like this: "I have a son, and I am ready to give him for the defense of Canada, but I refuse to give him for British wars. Mr. Casgrain-I absolutely deny the accuracy of that statement. Mr. Bourassa-I have to accept the honorable gentleman's denial. I only regret he did not make it sooner, because it was printed in Le Soleil of

Quebec, and reappeared in this House

on my responsibility as a member of

the statement three years ago, when

the honorable gentleman was in the

midst of his fervor over the South

African war, and no denial was given French-Canadians being charged with disloyalty, because in pursuance izens held most dear, and which had been the glory of the British Empire. they ventured to discuss honestly and frankly the public questions of the day. He had been accused of stigma-Mr. Chamberlain as a nightmare, but all he had done was to show that the policy of that gentleman had plained as it was in Britain. Mr. Cas-grain and his friends were misrepresenting the Chamberlain policy, and because Mr. Bourassa and others exposed this misrepresentation they were, forsooth, characterized as dis-loyal. It was not to be expected that French-Canadians, who were thoroughly and exclusively Canadian, would view questions of imperial policy with the same eye as did those who had but recently come from Europe. The former only had one home, and that was in Canada, and they viewed matters from a Canadian standpoint The integrity of the British crown was preserved when the French were in a tins regarding the duke's health have majority and the English in a minor-