

## CAILLAUX IS TRYING TO BUY THE LE FIGARO

Reported Aiming at Return to Power by Use of Paper Whose Editor His Wife Shot.

### IN ALLIANCE WITH EX-PREMIER BRIAND

Latter Angry With President Millerand Because of Failure to Give Him Premiership.

By WYTHE WILLIAMS.  
(Copyright, 1920, by Public Ledger.)  
Paris, Dec. 28.—The first move of Joseph Caillaux following the publication of his book Saturday in accordance with the plan of the publisher, and editor of L'Action Française, the formation of a secret combination with ex-Premier Briand to purchase control of Le Figaro, the most powerful newspaper in France, and it was this, the most powerful newspaper in France, that was shot by Mme. Caillaux in 1914.

Daudet, who is the arch enemy of Caillaux, prints today a virulent article against him, exposing the plot to "steal" Le Figaro, and Le Figaro itself prints, without affirming or denying, extracts from Daudet's article. Le Figaro mentions Daudet and his "admirable campaign against Caillaux," and comments in conclusion that Daudet declares his information is "exaggeratedly correct."

Conservative Paper Required.  
In warning France against Caillaux's back into power, Daudet tells the political crisis has linked up with Briand, who, Daudet says, is angry with President Millerand for not having appointed him to the premiership last September when Millerand stepped into the presidency. Daudet says:

Against Millerand the bloc national has a newspaper, not merely a journal of a few lines the Bonnet Rouge, or even its successor, the Journal du Peuple, but a real Parisian newspaper having a foreign circulation with an immense number of subscribers, a good past and a good reputation based on a conservative clientele—the movement now is toward the right. During the war Caillaux already had formed the project, but was balked by Clemenceau.

Daudet refers to the shooting of Caillaux and adds: "This unfortunate man would be replaced by the ex-convict from the State prison, who has not one hundredth of the merit of Clemenceau." Daudet claims that Briand is arranging the deal in Paris and that he is going around buying up all the available shares of Le Figaro to secure control at the next general shareholders' meeting.

Bonaparte Shares Bought Up.  
Briand has told everyone," says Daudet, "that tomorrow he will be master of Le Figaro, that he already has a majority of the stock formerly owned by Prince Roland Bonaparte and that he will have carried out his project before the next meeting of the shareholders' meeting."

Daudet claims further that the administration of the famous journal would be "Caillaux-Briand" and that for editor-in-chief some one would be sought who would guarantee to be unimpeachable and not play any personal political grudge. The inference is that Briand would run the newspaper and that Caillaux would pull the editorial strings from his basement at Marigny.

"But Caillaux and Briand must never be seen together," Daudet warns, "though he declares with absolute certainty that the benches of both are in constant touch in the chamber and

## BUTTERFLY GRUB DEATH TO GERMS

French Scientist Believes Discovery Opens Unlimited Remedial Possibilities.

Paris, Dec. 28.—That the beautiful and, for the most part, useless butterfly may be the deliverer of mankind from the scourge of tuberculosis is the claim of the French bacteriologist, Metchnikoff, in a report of his investigations which he has just presented to the Pasteur Institute. His researches have not yet been carried far enough to make any definite conclusion, but he declares that he believes himself to be on the track of a very important discovery, and has asked the help of other scientists in a study along the lines he has begun. For some time past he has been experimenting on the larvae of butterflies and moths, and he has, he declares, discovered that they have the power to destroy all the most dangerous known bacilli. He inoculated them with diphtheria, plague, typhoid and tubercle germs, and discovered that, however heavy the dose, the bacilli did not live more than a few days in the larvae, which seemed to suit the way in health. The bacilli of Koch, for example, which lives in the body of man for years after it once gets a hold, was annihilated in the body of the larvae in two or three days.

Kills Them All.

In an interview M. Metchnikoff says: "I have experimented on the bodies with thousands of bacilli, and I am convinced that I am on the track of the solution. Grubs evidently possess digestive juices which destroy pathogenic microbes. What we have to do next is to isolate these juices." The vitality of the larvae, the scientist declares, is enormous, and he has not been able to find any bacilli which can obtain a hold on its body. Now he is endeavoring to isolate a serum of butterfly grubs with which he hopes to cure the world of tuberculosis.

## FREDERICTON GIN \$9.50 PER BOTTLE

Allege Liveryman Made the Sale—Now Out on \$2,000 Bail.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 28.—The cost of high living was brought vividly to public attention in the police court this morning when a witness in a prohibition case told Judge Limerick that for a bottle of gin that he bought as Christmas cheer here on Christmas eve he paid \$9.50. A livery stable man who is said to have made the sale is now out on \$2,000 bail, having been charged with a second offence under the prohibition act while the purchase has been sent to jail for three months in default of payment of a fine of \$50 for having the liquor in his possession.

### FOUR KILLED IN FIRE.

Mount Morris, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Three children and a housekeeper, Alice Kasman, 30 years of age, were burned to death this morning in a fire that destroyed the home of Wm. Barrett, at Leicester, four miles north of this village. Barrett saved the lives of two children by tossing them from a second story window. He leaped after them, escaping with slight injuries. The housekeeper and three of the Barrett children were burned to death in their beds.

That Briand with the support of former friends of Caillaux is showing a bold and standard enthusiasm which is a warning to the nation."



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## FIREMEN CALLED TO RESCUE PUSSY FROM LIGHT POLE

Policeman Pulled Alarm and Fire-Fighters Brought the Cat Down.

A cat was the cause of considerable excitement at the corner of Charlotte and Centre streets on Christmas afternoon and was responsible for turning out the firemen from the Hibernia street station. The cat, which is believed to belong to Joseph Turcot, of 456 Atwater avenue, had climbed up a wire-laden pole in order to escape a dog which had pursued it several blocks. Once on the pole, the cat made its way to the top and thence to the cross-arm, where it perched itself in comparative safety. Frightened by the great altitude attained, the cat did not dare return down the pole and began to cry piteously.

The attention of a constable from the Point St. Charles station was drawn by the walls of the animal, and several persons also gathered. No one could find a way of helping the cat until the constable decided to telephone for the firemen of the Hibernia street station. The men with one hose wagon, under the direction of Lieut. Sullivan, responded to the call, and when they reached the corner of Centre and Charlotte streets, they found a large crowd looking at the cat.

Perilous Task.

Freeman Whitson, acting under instructions, climbed the pole and managed to make his way out on the cross-arm. Hanging on by one arm and his legs, Whitson secured a hold on the cat, which had crawled out to the extreme end of the cross-arm. The fireman then had to make his way cautiously back on the cross-arm and down the pole, keeping as far as possible from the electric wires. Whitson reached the ground in safety, set down the cat and pussy promptly ran away.

The crowd applauded the work of the fireman, and the apparatus returned to the station. Investigation showed that the cat probably belonged to Turcot, one of his children telling the constable who had called the firemen that it was hers. The fireman made a report of the affair to Acting District Chief Martin to explain the reason for leaving the station without a fire call.

### A FARM SUPERSTITION.

It seems a kind of superstition to the minds of many farmers that the farms would go to ruin if they and their hired men were not hunting around somewhere on the farm while there is daylight, says President J. B. Reynolds in the Farmers' Magazine. A disciple of the new agriculture will reason like this. The work both indoors and out is arduous enough at the best, and if it can lighten it will, whether the process will enable me to make more money or not.

## MARINE NEWS

High Water. Low Water.  
A.M. P.M. A.M. P.M.  
Wednesday ... 2.13 2.23 8.30 8.50  
Thursday ... 2.07 2.28 9.22 9.50  
Friday ... 4.03 4.27 10.17 10.45  
Saturday ... 6.09 6.33 11.12 11.40  
Sunday ... 6.07 6.43 12.00 12.24  
Monday ... 7.11 7.47 12.51 1.33

### PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Vessels and Where They Are Located  
Manda—No. 5.  
Finn Head—No. 4.  
Swase—No. 7.  
Castellans—No. 1.  
T. J. Drummond—Long Wharf, west.  
Manchester Mariner—No. 3.  
Empress of France—No. 6.  
Sheba—Long Wharf, east.  
Muskingo—No. 14.  
Bollingsbrook—No. 16.

### Arrived Tuesday

Coastwise—St. Macdonald, 2671, Clifflith, Sydney, str. Connors Bros. 64, Warnock, Chance Harbor, str. Keith Cann. 177, McKinnon, Westport.

### Cleared Tuesday

Coastwise—St. Empress, 612, McDonald, Digby, str. Grand Manan, 179, Hersey, Wilson's Beach, str. Hochelaga, 2601, McDonald, Sydney.

### Arrived Glasgow

C. F. O. S. Freighter Bollingsbrook arrived at noon yesterday from Glasgow. The Hibernia street station.

### To Sail Today

The Canada S. S. Her Manos will sail today at noon for Havre and Plymouth with passengers, parcel post and general cargo. Nagle & Wigmore are local agents.

### Sailed Yesterday

S. E. Hochelaga, which has been discharging coal at the Deaconson Company's wharf sailed at noon yesterday for Sydney.

### Coal Charter

Sch. Stewart T. Salter, Capt. Whitwar, has been chartered to take a cargo of coal from New York to St. John. J. Willard Smith is local agent.

### "Digby" at Halifax.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 28.—After an eventful voyage, the "Digby" arrived at Halifax this morning from Liverpool via St. John, N.B. She had three passengers from the former port and one from Newfoundland.

### Close Sea Locks.

St. John, Dec. 28.—Closing of the Soo locks yesterday officially marked the close of the 1920 navigation season in the Upper Great Lakes. It was the latest closing in the history of the Soo Canal. The steamer Schneider, last to pass through the locks, was released last night with the aid of two tugs after a hard struggle with river ice.

### Public Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVING been appointed by the Common Council of the City of St. John a committee of the said Council for conducting the sale of the Fisheries for the ensuing year, pursuant to law, hereby give notice that certain Fishery Lots along the East Side of the Bay, River and Harbor, heretofore enjoyed and possessed by the inhabitants of the East Side of the Harbor, with those in and surrounding Navy Island, and also certain Fishery Lots on the Western Side of the Harbor, will be sold at Public Auction on TUESDAY, the FOURTH DAY OF JANUARY NEXT, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court Room, in the Masonic Temple Building, Germain street, in the City of Saint John, for the fishing season of the ensuing year, to end on the 15th day of December, 1921.

Dated the 15th day of December, 1920.

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JOHN B. JONES,  
JAMES H. FRINK,  
JOHN THORNTON.

### PRESIDENT WILSON'S BIRTHDAY

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Wilson celebrated his 64th birthday today, receiving numerous messages of congratulations. Two of his daughters, Miss Margaret Wilson and Mrs. W. G. McAdoo, were with him for the occasion and also Dr. Woodrow Wilson, son, brother of his first wife.

"Benny" woman under 50 has no pretensions. While there's life there's hope that some man will make a fool of himself."

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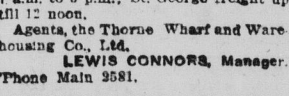
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