LATE GOSSIP FROM BERLIN

Political and Business Reviews Have Occupied the Press During the Week.

CANAL BILL FIGHT IN THE DIET.

Coming Business in the Reichstag—Will Britain Swap Cyprus for East African Land?

Berlin, Jan. 6.—(Special Cable Letter.)—The press was occupied this week with political and business reviews of 1900, threshing over old political straw and forecasting the work of the Reichstag and Diet, which reassembles Tuesday. The Diet's session takes place earlier than expected, so as to allow an ample discussion of the remodeled Canal bill, which will be introduced next week. It is already announced that the Ministry will make a hard fight to secure its passage. The debate will be particularly interesting, since it will be the first occasion requiring the new Imperial Chancellor, Count Von Buelow, to show his hand in domestic politics. Deep interest is felt regarding his first bout with the Agrarians. In the meanwhile, Von Buelow considers inuate. "On all domestic questions," The Vossische Zeitung (Independent Liberal and free trade) says: "Von Buelow smilingly assures that nobody knows him. In the province of domestic politics we admit this is true, for Von Buelow is an unwritten page therein."

In the Reichstag.

In the Reichstag the work of the remaining session is not expected to be important. After disposing of the China bill, the Budget will come up. But it is now generally admitted that tariff revision will be postponed to the autumn session.

Cruelty Among Doctors.

Various cases in which the physicians have exceeded humane bounds in experimenting upon patients having attracted painful attention during the last few years, the Prussian Minister of Public Worship and Education has now issued a decree restraining the owners of clinics, etc., from following such practices.

Cyprus-East Africa Swap.

The United Service Magazine's article, suggesting that Great Britain exchange the Island of Cyprus for German East Africa is widely discussed this week. The proposition finds absolutely no support in the German press. The Cologne Volks Zeitung especially emphasizes that Germany's possession of Cyprus would give the Ile to her protestations of having purely commercial interests in Asia Minor.

Social Reform Movement.

The German Society for Social Reform will be organized to-morrow evening in Berlin, many members of the Reichstag, manufacturers, merchants, officials, clergymen, scholars, writers and representatives of various labor organizations and charitable associations participating. The society will be the German branch of the International Association for the Protection of Labor, organized in Paris during the summer of 1900.

North Sea.

The traffic returns of the Baltic and North Sea Canal for 1900 show a big increase, and it is considered certain that the receipts will soon clear the expenses.

Emperor William has prepared a memorial tablet in memory of the German soldiers killed in China, for presentation to their relatives. It is adorned with Scriptural texts.

TEMPLE OF HEAVEN STORY

The Alleged Scandal Charged Against British Officers at Pekin is Denied.

FAMOUS BEAUTY WHO IS PLUCKY.

Miss Muriel Wilson Saved a Man's Life—Aristocratic Theatricals in Prospect.

London, Jan. 6.—The report published in New York that the Chinese have been scandalized and wrought up by an entertainment given by British officers in the Temple of Heaven at Pekin, in addition to being denied by the correspondent of the Associated Press at Pekin (who explained that the performance referred to was classed as a harmless pantomime not calculated to hurt the sensibilities of the most sensitive), is also denied by The Daily Telegraph, which says no performance was given in the Temple of Heaven, and that no Chinese were scandalized by the pantomime, for none was present at the military entertainment, which was identical with those given in every camp, and which took place in the Hall of Ceremony, to which no particular sanctity attaches.

The Late Lord Beresford.

Lord William Beresford has been dead a week; but glowing tributes to his memory still continue to appear. His bravery and sportsmanship keenly appealed to the English people. Few of the numerous recent deaths of public men have been so deeply felt. At a memorial service Friday many distinguished people gathered to pay a last tribute to Lord Beresford. The Prince of Wales, the Duke of Cambridge and Lord Roberts were specially represented, while Lord Lansdowne and other prominent persons personally attended.

Lady Curzon's Health.

The report is again current that if Lady Curzon's health, which so much worries the Viceroy of India, fails to improve, he intends to return to England this year. In answer to inquiries of the Associated Press the officials of the India Office say they have not heard anything tending to confirm the reports.

Mrs. Maybrick's Case.

Baroness De Roques is once more actively agitating in behalf of her daughter, Mrs. Florence Maybrick. She had two interviews with the United States Ambassador, Mr. Joseph H. Choate, this week, and received little but a polite assurance that the case will be presented to the new Home Secretary, Mr. C. T. Ritchie, when an opportunity arises. The baroness is much disturbed about the health of the famous prisoner, but she is confident that the new evidence and the renewed efforts of their friends will have the desired effect.

A Beauty Who is Plucky.

Miss Muriel Wilson, England's best-known beauty, has been distinguishing herself in the role of a life-saver. Mr. George Clerk, one of the assistants at the Foreign Office, was recently boarding a train in motion at Doncaster. His foot slipped and his legs fell between the footboard and the platform. Without a second's hesitation, Miss Wilson caught his arms and held him up until the train stopped. Had she let go, Mr. Clerk would have been crushed to death.

Aristocratic Theatricals.

Miss Wilson will shortly participate in the most aristocratic amateur theatricals England has seen for a long time. They will be given by the Duchess of Devonshire at Chatsworth, Jan. 11 and Jan. 14, in aid of charity. A brilliant audience, including the Prince of Wales, will be present, while the performers, besides Miss Wilson, will have among their number Count Mensdorff, cousin of the Queen, Lady Maud Warrender, Mr. F. B. Muldmay, M.P., and others of the fashionable world.

U. S. Centre of Population.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The Census Bureau to-day issued the following: The centre of population is in the following position: Latitude 39.0.36, longitude 85.48.54. In ten years the centre of population has moved westward about 14 miles and southward about 3 miles. It now rests in Southern Indiana, at a point about seven miles south-east of the city of Columbus.

Japanese Diplomatic Struggle.

Pekin, Jan. 6.—Baron Nissi, the Japanese Minister, leaves here to-morrow, the new Japanese Minister, M. Jutaro Komura, having arrived here from St. Petersburg. M. Komura was formerly Japanese Minister at Washington, from which city he was transferred to St. Petersburg in 1900.

One of the greatest blessings to parents is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It effectually dispels worms and gives health to the little one. ed

THE FARMERS' LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY.

(IN LIQUIDATION)

AUCTION SALE OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF TORONTO JUNCTION AND TOWNSHIP OF YORK.

The Liquidator of the FARMERS' LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY, with the approbation of the Master-in-Ordinary, will offer for sale by auction, at the Auction Rooms of **Messrs. C. J. Townsend & Co., 28 King St. West, on**

WEDNESDAY, THE 23rd DAY OF JANUARY, 1901,

at 11 o'clock a.m., FIFTY PARCELS of Improved Properties situate in the Town of Toronto Junction and Township of York, comprising sixty-two houses, as follows:

PARCEL.	STREET NO.	Description of House. (Approximate.)	Dimensions of Property. (Approximate.)
1 to 4	13, 15, 19 and 23 Carlton-place (to be sold separately)	4 detached frame cottages, each 5 rooms	Each lot about 25 ft. x 130 ft.
5 and 6	33 and 37 Carlton-place (to be sold separately)	2 frame dwellings, two storeys, 6 rooms each	Each lot about 25 ft. x 130 ft.
7 and 8	163 and 165 Clendennan-avenue (to be sold separately)	2 roughcast brick front dwellings, 7 rooms	Each lot 16 ft. 8 in. x 100 ft.
9 to 16	113 to 127 Churchill-avenue (to be sold separately)	8 semi-detached brick fronted dwellings, two storeys, 6 rooms	Each lot from 15 ft. to 17 ft. x 125 ft.
17	250 Dundas-street	Brick clad store and dwelling, 2 storeys	15 ft. x 104 ft.
18	348 Dundas-street	Stone dwelling, 1½ storeys, 11 rooms, stable in rear.	15 ft. x 224 ft.
19	26 and 28 Davenport-road	No. 26 is a frame store, 1 storey, No. 28 brick store and dwelling 2 storeys.	80 ft. x 120 ft.
20	38 Edmund-street	Brick dwelling, 1½ storeys, 7 rooms.	50 ft. x 125 ft.
21	42 and 44 Edmund-street	Pair roughcast dwellings, 2 storeys.	50 ft. x 130 ft.
22	76, 78 Hoskin-avenue	2 semi-detached roughcast brick front dwellings, 2 storeys, five rooms each.	35 ft. x 100 ft.
23	167 Louisa-street	Detached brick dwelling, 2 storeys, eight rooms.	25 ft. x 130 ft.
24	174, 176 and 178 Maria-street	3 brick 2-storey dwellings, 6 rooms each.	50 ft. x 138 ft.
25	205 Maria-street	Brick front dwelling, 2 storeys, 6 rooms.	18 ft. x 120 ft.
26	23 Medland-street	Detached roughcast dwelling.	28 ft. x 135 ft.
27	180, 182 Ontario-street	Pair of brick and brick cased dwellings, 7 rooms each.	60 ft. x 134 ft.
28 to 30	166, 168 and 172 Pacific-avenue (to be sold separately)	3 semi-detached roughcast brick front dwellings.	Each lot 17 ft. x 160 ft.
31	223 Pacific-avenue	Roughcast dwelling, storey, 6 rooms.	1 61 ft. x 150 ft.
32	115 Queen-street	Frame cottage, one storey	45 ft. x 140 ft.
33 to 36	46, 48, 50 and 52 Union-street (to be sold separately)	4 roughcast brick front dwellings in a row	Each lot to x 100 ft.
37 to 38	169 and 171 Vine-avenue (to be sold separately)	2 brick clad dwellings, 2 storeys, 7 rooms	Each lot 15 ft. x 123 ft.
39 to 40	37 and 45 Van Horne-street (to be sold separately)	Two roughcast brick front dwellings, of a row, 2 storeys, 7 rooms.	Each lot 16 ft. x 98 ft.
41 and 42	288 and 292 Willoughby-avenue (to be sold separately)	2 semi-detached brick dwellings, 2 storeys	Each lot 24 ft. x 120 ft.
43	Alexander-avenue (Twp)	3 roughcast brick front dwellings	50 ft 9 in. x 100 ft.
44	Bridgeman-avenue (Twp)	Roughcast dwelling	16 ft. x 110 ft.
45	Bridgeman-avenue (Twp.)	3 roughcast dwellings in a row.	48 ft. x 100 ft.
46	Bartlett-avenue (Twp.)	Roughcast dwelling	20 ft. x 132 ft.
47	Florence-place (Twp.)	3 brick front dwellings	50 ft. x 120 ft.
48	Jane-street (Twp.)	Frame cottage	50 ft. x 140 ft.
49	Priscilla-avenue (Twp.)	Frame cottage	50 ft. x 140 ft.
50	Somerset-avenue (Twp.)	Brick front dwelling	20 ft. x 132 ft.

Full particulars of the frontage and depth of the lots, character of the structures, existing rentals, etc., will be given on application to The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, Liquidator.

TERMS.—Ten per cent. at the time of the sale to the Liquidator, and the balance within thirty days.

The conditions of sale can be seen at the office of the Liquidator or at the office of Messrs. McCarthy, Osler, Hoskin & Creelman, Solicitors for the Liquidator, or at the time of the sale.

Dated the 27th day of December, 1900.

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VENEZUELA ASPHALT ROW

The Conflict Over Concessions Argued Pro and Con at Washington Saturday.

NEW YORK AND BERMUDEZ COMPANY

Claims Title Because of Twelve Years' Possession, While Venezuelan Government Objects.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Solicitor Penfield of the State Department to-day heard Gen. Francis Greene and Lawyer Bean of New York in reference to the conflicting asphalt concessions in Venezuela. These gentlemen represent the New York and Bermudez Company, which has been in possession of the asphalt concessions for the past twelve years, and whose property is now claimed by La Felicidad concessionaries under a later title from the Venezuelan Government. The argument lasted about an hour and a half. In substance, it was devoted to showing that the action of the Venezuelan Government in seeking to dispossess the New York Company was illegal and arbitrary, and had been declared such by the Supreme Court of Venezuela. It was now sought to accomplish by indirect means what that court had forbidden to be done directly, namely, to pass title to the asphalt concessions without compensation to La Felicidad.

Alleged Defective Title.

Gen. Greene addressed himself also at length to meeting an allegation that had been set up by the other side, to the effect that the original title of his company was defective. He produced a map made in 1888 showing that the concession was located by a meandering line following a footpath to the nearest town. He claimed that the Venezuelan Government had arbitrarily straightened this line in its map of definite location, thus throwing the New York company's concession beyond the asphalt lakes, which are the bone of contention.

The Other Side's Case.

The solicitor of the department also heard arguments in behalf of La Felicidad by Messrs. Warner, Quinlan and Sullivan, strongly defending the action of the Venezuelan Government in the premises. He will now take the case under consideration with a view to submitting a report and recommendation of the subject to Secretary Hay. Minister Loomis, at Caracas, is expected to see to it that the present occupants of the concession are not forcibly dispossessed by the Venezuelan Government in advance of a judicial determination of the merits of the case.

FELL FROM NINTH STOREY.

Frightful Fate of Ralph S. Lansing, Who Was in the U. S. Appraising Department.

New York, Jan. 6.—Ralph S. Lansing, 30 years of age, assistant of William J. Gibson, counsel to the Government in the United States appraiser's stores, jumped or fell to-day from a ninth-storey window in the appraiser's stores building, and was instantly killed. The police assert that the man killed himself deliberately. A letter which was found on Lansing's desk was sent to the coroner.

Lansing's position was one of responsibility and to it was attached a good salary. He had held the position for two years, having formerly been a clerk in the appraiser's stores.

AMERICAN SCOUTS CAPTURED.

Nine Men Fell Into the Hands of Insurgents—Pursuing Party Failed to Overtake Them.

Manila, Jan. 6.—Private George H. Ray of the engineer corps, his assistant, Private Lyons of Company K, Fifth Infantry, five scouts and two native policemen have been captured, while on their way to Batac, by insurgents. On the receipt of the news, an American column was despatched against the Filipinos, but failed to overtake the party.

Judge Suspended for Crookedness.

The Philippine commission has made permanent the suspension by Gen. MacArthur of Judge Majarries of the Court of First Instance, for improper administration of his duties.

MONSTER COMBINE IN GLASS.

Joseph P. Whitney of the Whitney Glass Works is at the Head of It.

Philadelphia, Jan. 6.—A number of glassware manufacturers of Pennsylvania and the Eastern States have held daily meetings here within the past week, looking to a combination in the trade. Joseph P. Whitney of the Whitney Glass Works is said to be the leader of the movement. Twenty of the largest concerns are said to have signed an agreement regulating the business.

The concerns thus far in the combination represent more than $20,000,000, and if all the big firms go in, $50,000,000 will be represented.

Hodgson in Ward Six.

Among the aldermanic candidates who are offering themselves for election in the Sixth Ward, one particularly deserving of support is Mr. W. W. Hodgson, the former lessee of the Cattle Market, and who has been a Public school trustee for many years. He has held almost every chairmanship of the Public School Board, and much of the valuable legislation enacted by that body owes its origin to the industrious brain of Mr. Hodgson. He is a forceful speaker, a good business man and would do credit to the Sixth Ward if elected alderman. 71

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JAMES M'KINLAY ESCAPED.

Patient in St. Lawrence Asylum at Ogdensburg Claims He is Not Crazy.

New York, Jan. 5.—James MacKinlay, an escaped patient from the St. Lawrence State Asylum for the Insane at Ogdensburg, was recaptured in this city to-day. He had been at liberty since the day before Christmas, and the hospital authorities had reported that at times he was violent. He had been sheltered while here by a friend, who is convinced he is sane, and that his protestation that he was unjustly committed to the asylum has an element of truth. On the promise that speedy steps would be taken for his release, he agreed to return to the asylum, declaring, however, that he would appeal to the British Government to demand redress for cruelties he vowed he had suffered.

MacKinlay is Scotch, 47 years old. He was directing Overlook farm, near Millbrook, the country estate of John D. Wing of this city, in 1896, when he was committed to the Hudson River State Asylum at Poughkeepsie. After four years he was transferred to the other asylum and placed on parole.

N. Y. Athletic Club's House Burned.

New York, Jan. 5.—The handsome club house of the New York A. C. on Travers' island was entirely destroyed by fire today. Loss $75,000, partly insured.

BELLEVILLE NOTES.

Brantford Man Sent to Central—Baptist Church Lifted Mortgage.

Belleville, Ont., Jan. 5.—Mr. D. J. Fairfield has retired from the contest for school trustee in Bleecker Ward, leaving Mr. Henry Taylor to go in by acclamation.

Alfred Hebler, a Brantford machinist, who has been working at Marmora, was to-day tried before Junior Judge Fralick on the charge of horse stealing. He was found guilty and was sentenced to one year in the Central Prison.

The Baptists of the city, having freed their church from mortgage, will dedicate it to-morrow. Rev. Elmore Harris, D.D., of Toronto, will officiate.

LOW FUN ON TRIAL.

Low Nun Posed as Low Fun's Father, But the Scheme Failed.

Ogdensburg, Jan. 5.—The trial of Low Fun, a Chinese boy, arrested near Maine early last summer, while unlawfully entering the United States, has been completed before U. S. Commissioner Gray in this city.

Low Num of Newark, N.J., fathered the boy, but investigation by Chinese Inspector Hatch in New York shows he has no son. The question of the prisoner's guilt rested on the identification of his so-called father. The youth is ordered deported back to China. Attorney Moore of Malone will at once appeal the case, and the boy goes back to jail pending the appeal.

The Subscription List Will Open at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 15th of January, 1901, and Will Close at or Before 4 p. m. on Thursday, 17th January, 1901.

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