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Japanese newspaper proprietor, and ex-secretary of the Benevolent Society of Japanese Pishermen of British Columbia, in reference to the statement of Mr. H. H. Stevens, M. P., at a Conservative ward meeting Friday night. Premier McBride and Attorney-General Bowser Leave to Talk Better Terms Hon. Mr. Ross to Join Them

ARE CONFIDENT OF

MISSION'S SUCCESS

Provincial Prime Minister Ex-

plains Urgency of Early Ac-

Premier McBride and Attorney-Gen-

al Bowser have arranged to leave on

Wednesday for Ottawa, where they

will be joined by Hon .Mr. Ross, pro-

incial minister of lands, the mission o

the prime minister and his two col-

eagues to the federal capital being

or the purpose primarily of submit-

ting to the national prime minister the question of better terms for British

Columbia, the various features and arguments involved therein being so well understood by the people of this

province as to render analysis unnecessary at this juncture. Hon. Mr. Bor-

den, as British Columbians also are well aware, already has placed himself

on record as in hearty accord with the

proposal that British Columbia's claim

n this outstanding matter of so great

moment shall be left for full and im-

poard of arbitrators, and Premier Mc-

Bride and his ministers have every

reason to feel confident that so soon

Mr. Borden's pledge will be full re-

"In this connection." Premier Mc-

Bride observes, "it is only right to say

that there are so many verticus phases incident and pertinent to the solution

terview the entire comprehensive subject; but the people of British Col-

umbia have a right to expect that,

with the new conditions obtaining at

Ottawa, the local government will not

be slow to move in pressing the legit-mate claims of this province."

Hon. Mr. McBride here took especial

care to make clear his own position

in visiting the national capital just at

criticism that the adopted course

night be regarded as precipitate

olumbia-in these days of her rapid

pointing out the urgency to British

growth and satisfactory development-

of early action in this vital matter, es-

pecially as the provincial parliament is

assemble early in January, and he

provincial interest then to lay be-

"I fully realize," said he, "the tre

mendous burden that Mr. Borden is

liged to take up at this juncture in

anadian affairs, and how his heavy

reumstances and conditions.

these the very welcome coming to Can-

ada as the representative of His Ma-

esty of H. R. H. the Duke of Con-

naught, uncle of our king, is first and

most notable. Then there is the ob-

vious magnitude of Hon. Mr. Borden's

task in assuming the reins of govern-

ment after fifteen year's of Liberal ad-

ministration. The formation and es-

tablishment of a new government is

trying and complicated undertaking

much to do in the initiation of his com

prehensive and progressive policy for

Canada and in the apportionment of

departmental responsibilities. At the

same time we feel that British Col-

umbia's interests are so vitally con-

no time in presenting the facts as

terms, in order that by a speedy and

equitable adjustment of this question,

provincial growth and prosperity may

The Duke of Connaught.

The coming to Canada of a member

of the royal family as His Majesty's

epresentative in the Dominion," Premier

McBride continued, "marks, to my mind,

and I feel sure to the mind of every

hinking Canadian, an epoch-making and

utstanding event in the history of this

ominion and of imperial Britan. As

rue Imperialists we in British Colum-

ia must look upon this signal recogni-

ion of our country as striking and tan-

lible evidence on the part of the crown

inion of Canada commands. Canadians,

aven greater degree than the public men of the country or its press our adequately represent, will look upon the bresence at the federal capital of H. R.

the great importance which the Do-

be facilitated rather than retarded.

they speak for our case for bette

cerned that we are determined to

Ir. Borden just now has very

yet delicate responsibilities just

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oth hopes and expects to have a re-

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fore its members.

the federal authorities are able to deal with this weighty question, Hon.

partial consideration by a competer

'Mr. Stevens," he declared, "cannot be aware that secret societies of any clad whatever are held in abhorrence amongst the Japanese people, and members who belong to such organizations are regarded by their fellow countrymen as traitors. The whole spirit of Bushado (the Japanese code of honor and morals) is opposed to secret societies, and whenever attempts have been made to form such they have invariably met with no success. The Chinese have such bodies; so have Europeans and Americans; but such things are unheard of amongst Japanese" tion at Present Stage of British Columbia's Progress

Acquitted on Murder Charge PRINCEVILLE, Ore., Oct. 28.—Ernes PRINCEVILLE, Ore., Oct. 28.—Ernest Robinson, who has been on trial hers charged with the murder of Lewis Mc-Allister was acquitted today by a fury in the state circuit court. Robinson and McAllister, quarreled over a mining claim at Ochoce. Robinson shot and killed McAllister but alleged that the

Now That Victoria Industry Has Been Stopped, Government will be Asked to Indemnify Owners of Vessels

The sealing industry basses from Vic toria with the return of the four schoon ers which have just completed this season's cruise. On December 15th next the treaty recently made under which Canada agreeed to a suspension of pelagic sealing for fifteen years in return for a share in the proceeds from the Pribvloff, Commanderofski, Robben bank and other rockeries of the North Pacific-a share which will bring upwards of two millions of dollars into the Canadian treasury-will come into effect. No more may the Victoria sealer go to sea. His business is taken away. The three decades or : we of effort, the capital expended in the fleet of schooners, now left idle, is to be wiped out for the good of the State. Compensation is to be provided for the scalers, and it is anticipated that the government will set aside not less than

\$500 000 for the Victoria Sealing company, and will provide for the owners of the independent schooners, four of which went to the hunting grounds during the past season. Provision will also, in all probability, be made for some compensation for the hunters who now find their business gone. The payment to the Victoria Sealing company would not be more than the amount of the capital invested, and when His Excellency Earl Grey visited Victoria about two years ago he summoned some of those interested in the sealing industry before him and told them he considered their claim for compensation to the amount mentioned a just one. The Un-

000 of the amount to be paid in compen sation when the treaty comes into force this amount to be afterward deducted from the share to be received by Canada from the sale of the skins taken from the Pribyloff Islands, Canada will receive 15 per cent of the catch taken yearly from the Prybiloff rookeries, 10 per cent of that taken on the Russian rookeries at Commanderofski Island and 20 per cent from the Japanes rookery on Robben bank in the Okhotsch sea. With the Victoria sealers and the Japanese hunters removed from the sea as a result of this treaty the herds will increase and the proceeds of the yearly killings will net at least two millions of dollars-many estimate much moreduring the fifteen years provided for in the treaty. The Japanese government is providing for ample compensation for the owners of the fifty or more schoon ers which plied from the ports of Yokonama, Hakodate, Niigata and Tokyo, and that no time should be lost in pro viding compensation for those who have invested their capital in Victoria in the

taken from them with one stroke of the pen is the general opinion. Pully Entitled to Amount

That the Victoria sealers are fully entitled to the amount of compensation sought is evidenced by the fact that what is unquestionably the greatest when Lord Herschel presided over the joint high commission the ultimate tangible Imperial federation. It is more than the high honor which is paid our country, for while we in Canada in a sense are scoping for the proper course of procedure toward accomplishment of the great end in Imperial federation the King himself has moved with fine insight to bring Canaivelve years ago when Canada and the United States were meeting to discuss pending questions between the two countries when Lord Herschel presided over the joint high commission the oved with fine insight to bring Cana- however, on which agreement was not as his representative H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught—not only a prince of the (Continued on Page 2)

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industry to now find their business

President Taft Says Standard is High and Defects are Due to the Weakness of the People

DEFENDS COURSE IN

Chief U. S. Executive, as a Lawyer and a Judge, Believes His Action was Right -Criticism Not Justified

CHICAGO, Oct. 28,-President Taft pent a busy day in Chicago. He spoke to the American mining congress in morning, endorsing the speech made by Secretary of the Interior Fisher here last night; told the members of the Chicago Bar association that he was and expects always to be opposed to the recall of the judiciary; rode sixty miles by special train to dedicate the new naval training station at North Chicago and addressed tonight the Chi-cago Association of Commerce on peace and arbitration, Later he was the guest of the city at a local hotel and tomorrow and Monday he will try to keep up with a fairly strengous programme The president came near discussing politics once when he spoke to the Chi-cago Bar association. Without using his name Mr. Taft referred to the remarks of United States Senator Clapp of Min-nesota in this city recently in which the president's veto of the Arizona-New Mexico statehood bill was called

the blackest act of tyranny ever com mitted on a free people." "I knew I was gullty of a good deal," said the president, "but I never knew I was suilty of conduct that could be described by such Jurid terms. I was determined that when a new statehood entered the union it should with a preper appreciation of the independence of the judiciary. The people of that

state may not be convinced yet but at least they know what I think. "Congress has approved my action for once and has gone further, it has passed a law directing—and this is really more like an act of blackest tyranny-the people to take back their ideas about the judiciary. When the constitution to conform with its own ideas about judges, but when it obtains the results its people can't say we did not give them warning.

"My friends are trying to gain credit for me for my act. They have said it must have taken rare courage to veto the statehood bill. I deprecate this kind of talk. I am a lawyer and (Continued on Page 2.)

Dr. Starr Jordan Says America is Best Customer of Oriental Empire-Manchus' Star in Descendent

PROFESSOR'S IDEAS ON TRIP TO ORIENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.-That th reign of the Manchus is ended was the opinion expressed by David Starr Jor dent of Leland Stanford university, upon his return from a seven weeks tour of the Orient. Dr. Jordan visited Japan and Korea in the interests of the "world peace foundation."

"There is no question but that th Manchu must go," he said, "Although no trouble had occurred during my tay in the Orient, it would appea that the people are displeased with the imperial government and are disposed to overthrow it. In Japan I found the eople in much the same frame of mine as people in other civilized nations. There is little of the spirit of war for war's sake anywhere among civilized peoples. The love of self is satisfied with baseball and football. In Japan there is less danger of war than in most nations. She still feels keenly and must for years to come the loss in manhood and money which great, war brings and the present burden on the working people who mostly pay

'Vapan sees in America her best cu omer and dearest friend. Her own interests lie in Asia, in the costly task of the permeation and absorption of Korea and in the safeguarding of her investments in South Manchuria. Fra ally she needs every yen she can get by taxation or otherwise for her own pro-jects of development. She has nothing to spend on international war."

and boller makers for increased wages and better conditions decided in favor of the men and against the company today. The report will be forwarded to the minister of labor at Ottawa for

VICTORIA, B. C., TUESD AY, OCTOBER 31, 1911

PORTLAND Ore, Oct. 28.—John Saltman, aged 50 tonight probably shot John Flora, aged 22, following hot words over a twelve year old girl, with whom both men are alleged to be in love. The shooting occurred in Flora's barn and was witnessed by the latter's ather, who also was fired upon by the firuriated Saltman. Young Flora was that in the abdomen and arm and was removed to a hospital where his dying statement was subscribed to. Saltman has not been captured.

Mr. J. L. Beckwith, ex-Alderman, Will Run-Strongly Favors Immediate, Adequate Pure Water System

Mr. J. L. Beckwith will be a candidate for the office or mayor at the forthcoming civic elections. Yesterday he definitely announced his intention of enter-ing the fight in opposition to Mayor Morley. Mr. Beckwith's decision comes as a result of the solicitations of a

as a result of the solicitations of a large number of citizens in every walk of life who have urged upon him to enter the field. At first he was reluctant to give a definite decision but finally consented to seek the office.

Seen last evening the fieckwith stated that he was in the light to a linear. While he recognized that he would be sacrificing much of his time in running as a may orally candidate he felt convinced that the promises of support that the promises of suppor which he had been given would indicate that his candidature would prove acceptable to a large section of the elect-

While Mr. Beekwith was not in a position to fully outline his platform and the principles on which he would make his appeal for support he declared that for one thing he would enter the fight and carry on his campaign on absolutely non-political grounds. It is his firm belief that there is no room in civic atfairs for party leanings and that businesslike methods in the conduct of the city's affairs is what the ratepayers desire. If elected he would enter the council a free man, untrammelled by adherence to any class or section and with the sole desire to advance the interests of the city at large to the great est possible extent consistent with safe and sane methods. A progressive administration intent on conducting affairs with harmony and recognizing the best interests of the people at large was his

Adequate Water Supply

Of the many important projects to which the city is now committed or in prospect Mr. Beckwith believes that the development at the earliest possible moment of an abundant and adequate water supply is by far the most important to the welfare of the city. No other work makes so much for the material and physical welfare of the city and it easily takes first rank. Then, too, Mr. Beckwith believes that with the vast amount of civic works now under way and to be undertaken the engineering department must be better manned by a complete and full staff so that the engineer may be permitted to be unhampered with matters which should be

attended to by his subordinates. The

department has grown to such an ex-

time at his disposal to attend to the big projects requiring his attention. With the great amount of work ahead of the city, work which is imperative if Victoria is to reach that position to which she is entitled, it would be his duty, if elected, to urge ahead such schemes, due regard being had to the essentials which should be completed before more ambitious though less urgently needed schemes are undertaken Heavy expenditures, except upon works of necessity, should be carefully considered before the city is committed to

them. To hasten slowly would, Mr. Beckwith considers, be the proper policy. Mr. Beckwith favors adequate attention to the growing school needs which erative necessity if the city is to occupy that position to which it is entitled and to draw to it the population which will make it pre-em (Continued on Page 2.)

ALLIES LOSSES IN TRIPOLI BATTLE

TRIPOLI, Oct. 28.-Let is now timeted in Italian circles that the Turkish and Arab losses in the bat-tle of Thursday reached 1,000 killed and 4,000 wounded. The enemy numbered 12,000

Manchu Garrison Said to be Contemplating Massacre if Government Troops Continue to Sustain Reverse

MPERIAL VICTORY RENEWS CONFIDENCE

Chinese Officials Say Loan for War Purposes Has Been Secured from a Belgian Syndi-

PEKING, Oct. 28 .- The report of an imperialistic victory in the vicinity of Hankow, which has been received from the minister of war, General Yin Tohang has revived the drooping spirits of the administration. Additional comfort has been found in the conclusion of a loan agreement which Chinese officials say has just been arranged with a Helgian syndicate having French and British connection. The loan is for \$18,000,000, the price being \$5, with six per cent interest. The syndicate receives four percent commission. financial groups representing the four nations interested in the railway loans, Great Britain, France, Germany and the United States, took under advisement a proposition for a loan of \$8,000,000 but it was decided that the present was

The diplomatic body held a meeting this afternoon and considered the request of the Viceroy of the province of Chi Li for permission to police Tien Tsin with troops, which is contrary to the international protocol of 1902. The the international protocol of 1802. The ministers however, decided to permit the vicercy to do so, owing to the serious conditions prevailing. The ministers decided also to authorize the consule of Bunkow to deal temperarily with all questions cropping up, but the setzure of foreign ships carrying anything which may be called contraband thing which may be called contrabant of war as threatened by the rebel leader General Li Yuan Heng, cannot be permitted. Regarding the appeal of Shanghai business men through the consuls that a thirty-mile zone around Shanghat he declared neutral, the ministers declined to assent on the ground that it was a matter for decision by the

Panic in Capital Panic prevails at Peking. Manchu and Chinese families are taking precautionary measures against immediate disturbances. The Chinese are alarmed, owing to a report that the Manchu garrison intends to begin a massacre if it meets with reverses at the hands of the rebels in the south, (Continued on page 2.)

COMMISSIONERS

Sir George Gibbons and Messrs Geoffrion and Hill Represent Canada in Dealing With International Waterways

APPOINTMENT MADE UNDER NEW TREATY

OTTAWA. Oct. 28.-His Majesty tent that the engineer should have more King George, acting on the recommen dation of Premier Asquith, has formally ratified the appointment of Sir Geo. Gibbons and Messrs. Aime Geoffrion, of Montreal, and B. Hill, of St. John, as the Canadian members for the International Waterways Commission. established under the treaty arranged last year by the Imperial and American governments.

> The personnel of the Canadian section of the commission was recom-mended to the Imperial government or August 11 last. A cable was received from the colonial office early in Sep-tember stating that the names submitted had been approved by his Majesty, and that Ambassador Bryce had been notified to that effect.

A preliminary meeting for the com-missioners was held at Washington on September 18, and the arrangements were made to actively take up the work. Since the general election of September 21 the formal papers had been received by the state department from London announcing the appointment of the Canadian commissioners by the Imperial government.

SEATTLE, Get. 28.—City Detective Joseph Blanchl, who shot and killed Frank Harris, a larceny suspect on September 2, was arrested by a deputy sheriff today charged with man-slaughter. Blanchi was arraigned and given until November 1 to plane

P. E. I. ELECTIONS

HARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., Oct. 28.-Provincial by-elections will take place in Prince Edward Island on November 15 in two districts, Belfast and Fort Augustus, At the present time the par-ties in the legislature stand fourteen to fourteen, the two vacancies having been represented by Liberals. For sevral months Premier Palmer's seat has been vacant, he having accepted the attorney-generalship after the former premier. Hon. Mr. Hassard, had been appointed to the Supreme Court. Premier
raimer will run for Fort Augustus
against Da Dewar, and in Bedfast the
candidates are Nash, Liberal; and Morheal, Conservative. Should the seats
so one each in the by-election the
ficuse would then stand with the
speaker in the chair, Inteen Conservatives to fourteen Liberals. The government is Liberal. torney-generalship after the former pre-

LONDON, Oct. 28 .- Prompt action of the part of the engineer today prevented the wreck of the American boat train carrying passengers for the steamer Lusitania, salling from Liverpool for New York. Although it was impossible to avoid a collision with a local standing near the Colwich station, the accilent was attended by less serious sequences than might have been ex-pected. Out of the four injured passeriously injured.

Seventeen Elevations at Consistory to be Held on November 27, by Pope Plus the

ROME, Oct. 29 .- The pope will create a large number of cardinals at the con-elatory to be a large. Nov. 27. The Most Rev. John M. Farley, archbishop of New York, and the Most Rev. William H. O'Connel, archbishop of Boston, are among those who will receive the red hat. Monsignor Diomede Falconio, apostolic delegate at Washington, also will be elevated, according to the andinalate is officially announced is: Mgr. Valladolid; Mgr. Diomede Falconio apostolic delegate at Washington; Mgr A. Vice, papal nuncio at Madrid; Mgr. J. Granito di Belmonte Pignatelli, expapal nuncio at Vienna; the Most Rev. John Farley, archbishop of Winchester; the Most Rev. Francis Bourne, archbishop of Olmuetz; Mgr. La Ammette, archbishop of Paris; the Most Rev. William H. O'Connell, archbishop of Boston; Mgr. F. B. Duvillard, archbishop of Chambry; the / Most Rev. Franz X. Nagel, archbishop of Vienna; Mgr. DeCabriers, bishop of Monthellier ace); Mgr. Bisletti, papal major domo; Mgr. Lugari, assisor of the holy congregation council; Mgr. Billott of the Jesuit order; Mgr. Van Roesum,

The tast consistory was held in Deember, 1907, four cardinals being appointed at that time. Since then may vacancies have occurred in the sacred college by death and now there are twenty-two seats of the total seventy unfilled. Since 1997 the intention to hold a consistory has been announced from time to time, and on each occasion the convocation has been postpon ed for various causes.

The proposed consistory in November will be the fifth held by Pope Pius X. On the death of Leo XIII. there were sixty-four cardinals. During the last eight years Pius X. has created seventeen new cardinals, of whom two have died. Thirty of the cardinals who took part in the election of Cardinal Sorti as pope also have died.

The first consistory of Pius X. was held November 9, 1903. Its chief purpose was the raising to the cardinalate of Mgr. Merry, del Val, in order that the papal secretary of state could bea the full title of his position. The second consistory was held on Decembe 11, 1905; the third on April 15, 1907, and the fourth and latest on December 16 in the same year.

BLAME S. S. OLYMPIC

Mayal Court Exonerates H. M. S

NEW YORK, Oct. 28 .- The British court of inquiry in the collision be tween the White Star liner Olympic and the British cruiser Hawke on September 20, has completely exonerated the Hawk and placed the blame on the liner, according to dispatches received by shipping men in this city. The report as received here says that under the navigation laws, the cruiser was passing up the Solent and had the right of way. The liner thus became the overtaking ship and is found to have forced the cruiser over the shoals of the narrow fairway. Then the suction drew the stern of the warship unde the Olympic.

By a court order, the Leigh Spencer block in Vancouver will be sold at

NAVAL POLICY?

FIFTY-THIRD YEAR.

Hon, L. P. Pelletier Indicates That a Referendum Will Be Taken Before Anything is Done

BRISTOL CRUISERS NOW IN DESCRETE CLASS

Governor-General Abandons Idea of Inspecting Naval College at Halifax-Rights of French-Canadians

OTTAWA, Oct. 28.—It is understood here that if the Borden go gernment decides to go on with the building of the Canadian news now, tenders will be asked for. The naval department received half a dozen tenders last May. No action has been taken on these sens ders except that the three or four highest were put aside and the denosits amounting in the aggregate to some three quarters of a million, have been returned. In the meantime a year and a half has elabsed since the navy bill passed parliament. The bill provided for the construction of cruisers of the improved "Bristol" class. This type is rapidly becoming obsolete. The reis rapidly becoming obsolete. The ra-sult is that if the government accepted any of last May's tenders which were based in the naval service bill, it would be spending an enormous amount of money on ships already out of date. The tenders cover the construction of the hulls alone while the guns and the armor plate for the protected deck are to be brought from England.

The Duke of Connaught has aban-doned his intention of going to Halifax and while there inspecting the naval

QUEBEC, Oct. 18.—Hon. L. P. Pel-letter, he new perimaster general, who was been storty acctang here as Questa county yesterday afternoon, made some important declarations at the meeting held immediately after the nomination at Lorette. On the navy question Mr. Pelletier declared that as a minister of the crown he was not going to take another position than the one he had nouncement made today. The full list taken in the last campaign, that is, of prelates whose elevation to the carthau would insist upon having a re-"When I was called to Mr. Borden's cabinet, "he continued, "I was not asked to withdraw a single line of the programme that I have submitted to my electors and my efforts will tend to complete the carrying out of this programme. We shall have the referendum that we ask for and we shall stand by the decision of the majority of the Canadian people in that question. Moreover, we may be offered more than a referendum and we will be still more glad to accept it."

Commenting upon the latter's declaration, Mr. Armanad Lavergne went further. "I know," he said, "that Mr. office; Mgr. Pompeli, secretary of the Pelletier will carry out his promise about referendum. But I am in a position to say more I assure you that you shall have this referendum. While Mr. Borden was forming his cabinet, I went to Ottawa to see him and I said to him: 'Here is the province of Quebec, regenerated, do you want her?

"Mr. Borden tendered me a loyal hand and I can assure you that he is not a fanatic as he was called in Quebec. English-speaking people from the sister provinces have at last understood us. They have understood that if we want thi Canadian confederation to live, there must not be any more question of victors and vanquished in this country. We want an idea of complete equality between the great races who live together in Canada "We are confident that the present

overnment will protect sufficiently the rights of the French-Canadians, they are in good hands."

Septuagenarian Sentenced CORNWALL, Ont., Oct. 28.-Farquhar McRae, aged 73, was sentenced to imprisonment for life today for slaughter. Dr. Magee went to the home of D. C. McRae, his father-in-law, to

recover his baby boy, and McRae shot at the party as it was returning, killing Shaw, a clerk in Magee's drug store. Suicides While Smoking

SEATTLE, Oct. 28 .- Jay Johnson, a ransient, took a cigarette from his lips, out his mouth over the barrel of revolver and blew out his brains in the Leroy Lodging souse, 209 Second evenue, south, at 7:05 Saturday night. The smoke from the cigarette was curling up to the celling when the atten broke into the room. Jackson came the hotel a week ago, from where no one knows. He occupied a tiny room in which there was hardly room for hed and a chair. He sat on the chair when he pulled the trigger and was still sitting when found. Jackson apparently about 30 years of age. He wore a dark suit, dark shirt and a cap. He had \$40 in money on his person.

For abusing the kindness of a good Samaritan by stealing from him, Rob-ert Collander has been sentenced by Magistrate Shaw of Vancouver to t