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BRYAN ON DEFEAT.

He Was Surprised at the Result of THE ELECTIONS.

Lost in the Small Towns and the Country -- He Has Not Yet Enough Figures to Analyze the the Vote--Will Not Run for the Senate.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 8.—William J. Bryan tonight gave out the following statement concerning the election:

"The result was a surprise to me and the magnitude of the Republican victory was a surprise to our opponents as well as to those who voted our ticket. It is impossible to annalyze the returns until they are more complete but, speaking generally, we seem to have gained in the large cities and to have lost in the smaller cities and in the country.

"The Republicans were able to secure tickets or passes for all their voters who were away from home and this gave them considerable advantage. We have no way of knowing at this time how much money was spent in the purchase of votes and in colonization, but while these would account for some of the Republican gains, they could not account for the widespread increase in the Republican vote. The prosperity argument was probably the most potent one used by the Republicans. They compared the present conditions with the panic times of 1893 to 1896 and this argument had weight with those who did not stop to consider the reasons for the change. The appeal 'Stand by the president while the war is on,' had a great deal of influence among those who did not realize that a war against a doctrine of self-government in the Philippines must react upon us in this country. We made an honest fight upon an honest platform and, having done our duty as we saw it, we have nothing to regret.

"We are defeated but not discouraged. The fight must go on. I am sure that Republican policies will be repudiated by the people when the tendency of these policies are fully understood. The contest between plutocracy and democracy cannot end until one or the other is completely triumphant."

Concerning himself Mr. Bryan said:

"I have come out of the campaign with perfect health and a clear conscience. I did my best to bring success to the principles for which I stood. Mr. Stevenson did all that he could; Senator Jones and the members of the Democratic, Populist, Silver Republicans and anti-Imperialist committees did all they could. Mr. Hearst and his associates in the club organizations put forth their best efforts. Our newspapers, our campaign speeches and our local organizations all did their part. I have no fault to find and no reproaches. I shall continue to take an active interest in politics as long as I live. I believe it to be the duty of citizens to do so and in addition to my intcrest as a citizen, I feel that it will require a lifetime of work to repay the political friends who have done so much for me. I shall not be a senatorial candidate before the legislature which has been elected. Senator Allen deserves the senatorship, which goes to the Populists. Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. W. H. Thompson are avowed candidates for the senatorship. They both deserve well of the party and I am too grateful to them for past support to stand in their way even if I desired a seat in the senate."

Mr. Bryan said he has no other plans at present than to remain at home until he had recovered from the fatigue of campaigning. He denied the report that he would remove from Nebraska and make Texas his home.

MOORISH MONEY WANTED.

The United States Pressing a Damage Claim.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The instructions of the state department to United States Consul Gunnere, at Tangier, under which he acted yesterday, were to collect an indemnity from the Moorish government for the murder of Marcus Essagin, a naturalized American citizen who was killed about a year ago by a mob. Essagin became involved in an altercation with a Moor against whom he had accidently run, when a crowd of the Moor's comrades fell upon him and beat him to death. The Moorish government disclaimed responsibility for mob violence of this kind, but the United States government contended that the Moorish government had failed in its obligations in declining to take any steps to punish the perpetrators of the crime. Now Mr. Gunnere is directed again to present the case, with an urgent request for a settlement.

It so happens that the big battleship Kentucky is making her way through the Mediterranean to Manila, and if she touches at a Moorish port, as she would be very likely to do, her presence may have a beneficial effect in stimulating action upon the consul's demands.

THE GERMAN BUDGET.

Provide for Military and Naval Extensions.

Berlin, Nov. 8.—It has leaked out that the forthcoming imperial budget will provide for two new pioneer battalions of three companies for each army corps. It will also provide 3,500,000 marks for building a war harbor at Dantzic.

At Kiel, a large anchorage and harbor for warships will be built, together with a harbor for torpedo boats, capable of holding 60 of the largest.

At Wilhelmshaven two immense dry docks will be built.

MORE CANADIANS

Have Sailed For and From England.

ST. JOHN BOYS

Are on the Carthegenian, Which Is Due at Halifax Tomorrow--General DeWet Is Reported to Have Been Wounded--A Protest Against Administering Harsh Punishment.

London, Nov. 9—The Times this morning gives prominence to a two column letter from Mr. Leonard Courtney, who represented the Bodmin division of Cornwall in the late parliament, protesting against the burning of the buildings on the farms of the burghers and other harsh measures adopted against the Boers.

Referring editorially to Mr. Courtney's argument the Times justifies the measures taken by Lord Roberts as necessary and as "No worse than the means employed by other European nations in similar circumstances."

The Hawarden Has Sailed.

Cape Town, Nov. 7.—The British transport Hawarden Castle, having on board the royal Canadian regiment, sailed from here today.

De Wet Wounded.

Pretoria (undated) by rail to Charleston (Charleston, Natal?) Wednesday, Nov. 7.—General De Wet has been wounded in the leg in a fight with the troops of General Knox at Rensburg drift. According to native reports the Boer commander narrowly escaped capture.

One of Steyn's Tricks.

Pretoria, Nov. 7.—Surrendered burghers assert that Mr. Steyn, after a council of war with Gen. Botha and Gen. Delarey, addressed the burghers with great passion, urging them to continue the war. He told them he was going south and hoped to return with 5,000 men, assuring them that he knew that Germany had delivered an ultimatum to Great Britain, demanding the retrocession of the republic.

A Halifax Man Sick.

Toronto, Nov. 8—(Special)—Charles D. Cory, of this city, but formerly a resident of Halifax, has received a cable from the war office advising him that his son, Captain George Cory, of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, is in the hospital at Pinetown Bridge, Natal, dangerously ill with enteric fever.

Another Lot.

Halifax, Nov. 8—(Special)—The militia department was advised by cable today that the following men have sailed for Halifax by the steamer Carthegen an, which is due on Saturday: Alfred Aspinwall, N. W. M. P.; A. J. Mellish, 82nd; Young, Q. O. K.; J. A. Berney, N. W. M. P.; A. Bennett, P. L. D.; R. T. Byers, 3rd Victoria Rifles; F. Q. Bettle 63nd; W. J. Raymond, 3rd C. A.; T. C. McBeth, 4th C. A.; J. N. Fawcett, 12th York Rangers; G. A. Rose, N. W. M. P.; H. Edwards, Winnipeg; W. J. Hyman, 6th F. B.; F. H. Rubbra, N. W. M. P.; J. M Lobban, Montreal; J. H. Eddy, MacLeod; B. Ramsay, R. C. D.; Smith, 63rd; 322, Ryan; 216, McNichol; 217, Fraser; Vanorman, 48th C. A.; 228, D. MacDougall, N. W. M. P.; J. D. Maloney, Edmonton.

PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION RIOT.

The Blacks and Whites Arrayed In Hostile Lines.

Washington, Nov. 8.—After a night of excitement over a threatened conflict between negroes and whites, quiet prevailed this morning and through the prompt action of the town authorities aided by the members of company H. 10th Pennsylvania volunteers, a race riot was averted. The trouble started on Tuesday night over the election and the fighting was kept up for a large part of the night and all of yesterday. There were numerous encounters between the negroes and whites and several persons were seriously injured. A large number of policemen were sworn in and these with squads of the tenth regiment, patrolled the streets until daylight. A dozen arrests were made and warrants are out for many more. This morning the excitement had died down.

TWO MORE BODIES

Taken from the Ruins of the Tarrant Fire.

New York, Nov. 8—Two bodies were taken from the ruins of the Tarrant building today. The first was that of Hamilton Matthews, a driver for Tarrant & Co. The remains were shockingly mutilated.

The second proved to be that of Benj. Moorehouse, the missing shipping and stock clerk of the company. Moorehouse was 51 years old and had been missing since the day of the explosion. With him, in all probability, died also all possibility of explaining the fire horror, as he had charge of the storage books of the big drug firm, in which was a list of all the explosives stored in the building.

Death Prevents a Trial.

Portland, Me., Nov. 8—Charles Davis, who shot and killed his wife several days ago and then put a bullet into his own head, died at the hospital tonight. This finally disposes of the case, although Coroner Perry will probably hold an inquest on Davis to close up the matter officially.

ADDITIONAL NEWS OF THE DOMINION ELECTION.

The Liberal Majority Was Last Night Placed at Fifty—Hugh John Was Beaten by More Than Six Hundred—Ontario Conservatives Could Find Use For Tupper and Foster—Corrected Returns For This City and Province.

According to the latest returns the standing of the parties last night is as given below. Five elections are still to be held. In several constituencies in the West returns are still very incomplete. A fairly accurate estimate can be made of them, however, using the returns of this election, which are already in, and the vote in previous elections as guides:—

Liberal	127
Conservative	77
Independent	4
Liberal majority over all	46
Liberal majority over Conservative	50

St. John City and City and County.

Wards	Blair	Foster	Stockton	Tucker
Kings	376	138	158	260
Wellington	446	361	368	419
Prince	577	330	347	540
Queens	435	295	322	406
Dukes	336	226	263	315
Sydney	285	165	174	275
Guys	200	338	335	204
Brooks	136	189	185	132
Lorne	338	396	413	324
Lansdowne	443	322	321	422
Dufferin	461	314	344	412
Victoria	317	307	312	294
Stanley	102	79	91	94
Non-residents	50	43	75	103
Simonds parish	..	..	234	341
St. Martins	..	..	196	237
Lancaster	..	..	383	386
Lancaster No. 2 (Pisarinco)	..	..	71	38
Musquash	..	..	105	125
	4,520	3,503	4,697	5,336

Blair's majority, 1,017.
Tucker's majority, 639.

New Brunswick.

The following are the majorities, corrected, as far as possible before declarations:

	Maj.
Albert—Lewis, Liberal	61
Carleton—Hale, Conservative	315
Charlotte—Ganong, Conservative	481
Gloucester—Turgeon, Liberal	1029
Kent—LeBlanc, Liberal	616
Kings—Fowler, Conservative	118
Northumberland— Robinson, Con	143
Restigouche—Reid, Liberal	500
St. John city—Blair, Liberal	1017
St. John county—Tucker, Liberal	639
Sunbury-Queens—Wilmot, Con	254
Victoria—Costigan, Liberal, (acel.)	..
Westmorland—Emmerson, Liberal	440
York—Gibson, Liberal	95

ADDITIONAL RETURNS.

Results Not Yet Published—Returns In the West Still Incomplete—Hugh John Beaten by Over Six Hundred

Toronto, Nov. 8—(Special)—The following additional election returns and corrections were received today. The returns are complete, except where otherwise stated:

For Ontario.

Carleton—Kidd, Conservative; 524 majority.

Russell—Edwards, Liberal; 586 majority.

South Renfrew—Wright, Liberal; 408 with two small polls out.

North Renfrew—Mackie, Liberal; 127 majority.

North Wellington—Tolton, Conservative; 54 majority.

West Bruce—Tolmie, Liberal; 694 majority.

North Ontario—McLeod, Conservative; 479, one poll out.

Brockville—Culbert, Conservative; 233 majority.

South Victoria—Vrooman, Conservative; 225 majority.

North Victoria—Hughes, Conservative; 128 majority, three polls out.

East Elgin—Ingram, Conservative; 153 majority.

South Waterloo—Clare, Conservative; 200 majority.

Haldimand and Monck—Thompson, Liberal; 171 majority.

Addington—Bell, Conservative; 300 majority, several polls out but election sure.

Frontenac—Calvin, Conservative; 334 majority.

North Perth—McLaren, Conservative; 315 majority.

East Simcoe—Bennett, Conservative; 82 majority.

Wentworth North and Brant—Paterson, Liberal; 1,200 majority, few scattered polls out.

East Grey—Sproule, Conservative; 383 majority.

Peel—Blain, Conservative; 115 majority.

East Lambton—Simmons, Conservative; 235 majority.

North Bruce—McNeill, Conservative; 17 majority, result still doubtful.

West Durham—Thornton, Conservative; 41 majority over Beith, Liberal.

South Simcoe—Lennox, Conservative; 800 majority.

Muskoka and Parry Sound—McCormick, Conservative; 47 ahead, 22 polls out, result doubtful.

For Quebec.

Pontiac—Murray, Liberal; 167 majority, four polls out.

For Manitoba.

Winnipeg—Puttee, Labor; 1,183 majority.

Brandon—Sifton, Liberal; 622 majority, 12 polls out.

Lisgar—Richardson, Independent; 211 majority, one poll out.

Macdonald—Rutherford, Liberal; 50 majority, several polls out, result doubtful.

Marquette—Roche, Conservative; 232 majority, 34 polls out.

Selkirk—Haslan, Conservative; 18 majority, 19 polls out, result doubtful.

Provencher—Lariviere, Conservative; 186 majority, 11 polls out, probably elected.

For Northwest Territories.

Alberta—Oliver, Independent Liberal; elected, good majority.

East Assiniboia—Lake, Conservative; 188 ahead, 69 polls out.

West Assiniboia—Scott, Liberal; 200 majority, several polls out.

Saskatchewan—Davis, Liberal, elected, good majority.

THE PISTOL NOT LOADED.

Hon. John Costigan on Hon. Mr. Blair's Victory.

Ottawa, Nov. 8.—(Special)—Hon. John Costigan, in an interview, stated that the result in New Brunswick was exactly in keeping with his forecast since last session. The government were doing right by the people there and they felt that there was no justification for a change. As to his own election, it was exceedingly gratifying to him that he represented a majority of the Protestants and Catholic electorate. In spite of past efforts on the part of some to raise the creed cry in the constituency, it was pleasing to know that the people had come together in this discussion on the political issues of the day, and lines alone elected him by acclamation. He was particularly pleased with the magnificent victory of Hon. Mr. Blair. When the odds he had to fight against were realized, too much credit could not be given him. He had stuck to the helm in the interests of the people and in turn had rightly shown their appreciation of his honest and independent course as minister of railways and canals. He (Costigan) was always friendly to the Canadian Pacific railway, but he did not approve of the pistol being pointed to a cabinet minister by any company.

ONE EXPLANATION.

The Attack on the French Proved a Boomerang.

Ottawa, Nov. 8—(Special)—The Evening Journal (Independent Conservative) says tonight:

"When the Conservatives get enough sense to cease atacking Laurier and Tarte for alleged disloyalty and Frenchism, which inevitably solidifies Quebec behind the Laurier administration, they may regain power at Ottawa. Seven seats in Quebec formerly Conservative were captured by the Liberals, Beauharnois, Champlain, Montcalm, St. Anne (Montreal), Stanstead, Terrebonne and Three Rivers. The Liberals lost one seat (Dorchester), making a net Liberal gain of six seats. In Quebec, which was 51 Liberals to 14 Conservatives, with one election, Gaspe, yet to come, the extraordinary spectacle of a politically almost unanimous province is due chiefly to the tactics of some crazy Conservatives in Ontario who have Francophobia on the brain. The Toronto Mail, the Toronto World, the Hamilton Spectator have in their selfish interests, through having practically none but English speaking and Protestant readers, made a wretched campaign against the Liberals based chiefly on the alleged Frenchism of Tarte and Laurier. At the last moment, the Toronto World capped the climax by a full page article under flaring head lines, asking if this country was to be British or French, to be ruled by English speaking men or by French traitors, for such was the implication, like Laurier and Tarte. Such articles were reproduced in the French Canadian papers throughout Quebec and the people of Quebec would have been less than human if they had failed to resent deeply such gross insults to their position and record in this country.

ONTARIO WANTS THEM.

Will Make Places for Sir Charles and Mr Foster.

Toronto, Nov. 8—(Special)—The Toronto Evening News (Conservative) says it is probable seats will be made for Sir Charles Tupper and Hon. G. E. Foster in Ontario. Kidd of Carleton, is said to be willing to make way for Sir Charles, and Wilson of Lennox, would probably be willing to retire in favor of Mr. Foster. The Conservatives intend to devote their energies now to defeating Premier Ross in Ontario, and the presence of Sir Charles and Mr. Foster in Ontario they think would greatly strengthen the party in the provincial politics.

THE ONTARIO GERRYMANDER

Gave the Conservatives Assistance Wednesday.

Ottawa, Nov. 8—(Special)—Sir Richard Cartwright's face today was beaming with satisfaction when seen by a member of press correspondent in his office in the trade and commerce department.

"You can say that yesterday's vote means the complete break-up of the Conservative party. The government has every reason to be thoroughly satisfied with the general result. Ontario, as we see, is still fettered and bound by the brutal gerrymander of 1882, which affected 54 seats."

MAJORITY OF NINE.

Roche Elected in Halifax.

Halifax, Nov. 8—(Special)—Quite a demonstration was arranged by Dartmouth Liberals for Dr. Russell, the successful candidate in Hants, on his return home this evening, but a severe southeast storm and heavy rain put a stop to the proceedings. The affair will take place tomorrow evening. The latest returns from Halifax county show Roche to be elected by a majority of nine over Kenny.

THE BRITISH PRESS.

Great Britain Is Well Pleased With Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

London, Nov. 8.—The editorials in the papers here today express warm approval of the re-election of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the premier of the Dominion of Canada, and the return of the Liberal government to power. The Pall Mall Gazette voices the general tone of the comment in saying:

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier is the living embodiment of the spirit required in Canada. It looks as if he might have as long a spell of power as Sir John Macdonald. Not only is this French-Canadian, but enthusiastic British imperialist statesman, one of the most inspiring and most useful personages in the empire, but election attempts to turn race feeling to his disadvantage has deserved the severe defeat."

The morning papers, irrespective of party, express unbounded satisfaction at Sir Wilfrid Laurier's victory. The Daily News utilizes it to read a lesson to the British anti-war Liberals and says:

"It is a remarkable fact, which Liberals nearer home would do well to ponder, that no more eloquent statements of the justice of the British cause have been made than by Sir Wilfrid Laurier."

All the papers discuss the coincidence of three notable cases in which the swing of the political pendulum has been arrested and the Daily News remarks:

"Does it portend a new factor in Democratic politics? The only safe conclusion is that what has happened is not because Lord Salisbury, Mr. McKinley and Sir Wilfrid Laurier have discovered a new way of governing without mistakes but because in all three countries there has been a stirring of national life to new and great issues and because the opposition parties have been found out of touch with national feeling."

The Daily Chronicle believes that Sir Wilfrid Laurier owes his success to the fact that no man has yet arisen to fill the place of the late Sir John Macdonald.

The Daily Mail points out that England has thus far failed to make any returns for Canadian loyalty and urges that some compensation be made for Canada's fiscal concessions.

FATALITY IN WESTMORLAND.

Three-year-old Child Wandered Away from Home

FOUND DEAD.

It Had Become Bewildered and Laid Down in a Field--Killed by Cold During the Night -- No Evidence of Violence.

Moncton, Nov. 8—(Special)—The little three-year-old child of J. H. Hanington of Caledonia Road, which strayed away from the house Tuesday afternoon, was found dead in a field three-quarters of mile from its home this morning. When the child was missed from home search was immediately made but no trace was found until today. It was first thought that the child had been stolen or carried off by a bear, but the mystery was cleared up today when the dead body was found in its father's stump field. From appearances the little one had wandered off and got lost and becoming fatigued had laid down and falling asleep died from exposure during the night. There was no evidence that death had been caused by violence.

AGAIN IN HIS CELL.

Max Shinburn Back in the New Hampshire Penitentiary.

Concord, N. H., Nov. 8—At 8 o'clock tonight a man whom the courts of New York have decided to be Maxmillian Schoenbein, better known as Max Shinburn, who escaped 35 years ago from the New Hampshire state prison, where he had been committed for ten years, as penalty for the robbery of the funds of a bank at Walpole, re-entered the New Hampshire prison to serve the remainder of his sentence. Shinburn arrived in this city this evening from Plattsburgh, N. Y., in the custody of Sheriff W. S. Tuttle of Keene, Cheshire county, N. H., and J. W. Rogers, a detective in the employ of the American Bankers' Association. More than 1,000 people had assembled in a driving rain storm to greet Shinburn and his captors. Shinburn was heavily ironed and shackled to Sheriff Tuttle and smiled broadly at the excitement caused by his arrival. He did not appear in the least nervous or depressed. Upon arrival at the state prison he was turned over to Warden Cox and the usual formalities attendant upon the commitment of criminals were completed. The prison from which he made his escape 35 years ago was a stone structure on North State street in the heart of the city and when he made his sensational escape by breaking through the gate leading from the prison yard to the street running past the prison he had served less than one year of his ten years' sentence. Tonight he entered the new prison which is located two miles from the centre of the city and is a far different structure from that of 35 years ago. Here he will serve out the balance of his sentence.

ELECTION IN NEWFOUNDLAND

No Returns, but Both Sides Claim Victory —A Joke About Sir Charles.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 8—The polls have closed in all the districts throughout the island for the colonial general election today. No disorders have been reported, but intense excitement prevails. The older voters say that nothing like the present ferment has been known since the election of 1869, when the question before the country was confederation with Canada, which was rejected by an immense majority.

Both sides claim a victory, but the betting odds are in favor of the Bond government.

Those who favor confederation with Canada are sorely disappointed at the defeat of Sir Charles Tupper in Cape Breton, which is regarded as a set-back for the confederation project.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY

Has Been Officially Adopted by Great Britain.

London, Nov. 9—The Daily Mail this morning makes the following announcement:

"The postal department commission which has been inquiring into the subject will shortly report, after some months of deliberation, in favor of the earliest possible adoption of Marconi's system of wireless telegraphy by the postal authorities.

"The commission is also arranging as to terms for the acquisition of the Marconi patents and negotiating with France and Germany regarding their attitude towards Marconi's inventions.

"This evidently means a complete revolution in the telegraphic system."

HONORS FOR TARS.

An Admiral and Two Captains Decorated

London, Nov. 8—Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Hobart Seymour, K. C. B., in command of the China station since 1897, (who is to be succeeded by Vice-Admiral Sir Harry Holdsworth Rawson), has been appointed a G. C. B. (Grand Cross of the Bath), and Naval Captains Bayly, T. Burke, Callaghan and Jellicoe have been appointed C. B.'s (Companions of the Bath), for services in China.

LOOSE METHODS.

How Alvord Was Able to Steal From the FIRST NATIONAL BANK

The Officers of the Bank Had Examined the Institution's Assets in Two Years--A Clearing House Sheet Doctored.

New York, Nov. 8.—Cornelius L. Alvord, jr., the former note teller of the First National bank, who is accused of embezzling $690,000 of the bank's funds, was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Shields in the criminal branch of the United States court today. He was represented by Jacob F. Miller. The first witness was W. E. Snow, assistant cashier of the First National Bank. Mr. Snow said that he had known Alvord 20 years, the past 10 of which he had been a note teller in the First National Bank. He explained in details the duties of the note teller.

"You know that Alvord's accounts were made up from statements handed him by other persons in the bank?" asked Mr. Miller.

"Yes sir, partly," answered Mr. Snow.

"Mr. Alvord was supposed to take the statements of other employes as correct?"

"Yes."

Mr. Miller then led Mr. Snow to admit that since the latter first became an officer of the bank two years ago, he had never known officers of the bank to examine the assets of the institution.

Morton V. Moore, setting clerk for the bank identified a column of figures on a sheet that was prepared for and sent to the clearing house as having been made by himself. Mr. Moore testified that two figures in the sheet made up for October 15 had been changed.

Adjournment was taken till 2 p. m. tomorrow.

SETTLEMENT DESPAIRED OF.

Li Hung Chang Cannot Arrange Satisfactory Terms.

London, Nov. 9—Li Hung Chang telegraphs, says the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Express, "that he despairs of settlement and that it is useless to expect the Chinese court to consent to the execution of Yu Hsien or Tung Fu Hsiang. He declares that it is equally vain to attempt to induce the powers to moderate their demands and that therefore, the court is prepared for a further flight to the province of Sze Chuan, with an imperial army of 14,000.

CAPITALISTS WANT CUBA.

Sir William VanHorne Sails to Secure Options.

Philadelphia, Nov. 8.—Following a meeting of New York, Philadelphia and Canadian capitalists in this city last night, Sir Wm. VanHorne, chairman of the board of directors of the Canadian Pacific railroad, sailed from here today for Santiago, where he will make an effort to secure options on all horse and trolley lines in Cuba, and also on all sugar plantations in the island. At last night's meeting the Cuba Company was organized with a capital of $20,000.

The entire capital stock of the company, it is said by those interested, has been subscribed.

A CANADIAN WANTED

at the Australian Inauguration Ceremonies.

Ottawa, Nov. 8.—In a report from J. S. Larke the Australian commercial agent of the dominion government, there is a request from the government of New South Wales to the dominion government to send a representative from Canada to the inauguration ceremonies in the commonwealth next spring and also a contingent of troops. Mr. Larke says that as the question of the preferential tariff may come up it would be well to have a Canadian representative there to look after Canadian interests.

Death In Wasp's Sting.

To illustrate that the stings of wasps are often dangerous, a writer in the British Medical Journal on the subject of their stings cites the two following cases which have come under his notice:

A strong, healthy girl of 27 was stung on the neck by a wasp and fainted. On regaining consciousness she complained of general feeling of numbness and partial blindness, and vomited; she suffered severe abdominal pain. She recovered in the course of a few hours. Two months later she was stung again, this time on the hand. Her face became flushed, she again complained of numbness and blindness, suddenly became very pale, fainted, and died 15 minutes after she was stung.

Another case was that of a girl of 22, who was stung by a wasp behind the angle of the jaw. The sting was at once extracted and ammonia applied. In a few minutes she complained of faintness and would have fallen if she had not been supported. Her face assumed an expression of great anxiety and a few minutes later she was tossing on the bed, complaining of a horrible feeling of choking and of agonizing pain in the chest and abdomen. Brandy gave no relief. There was nausea, but no vomiting. She rapidly became insensible, and died 15 minutes after receiving the sting. The most probable explanation of such cases seems to lie in what is known as idiosyncrasy—that is, abnormal sensitiveness in particular individuals to certain toxic agents. It is well known that drugs vary much in action in different people. What is a safe dose for one is dangerously large for another. The inability of some people to eat strawberries or shellfish is another instance of the same phenomena. The active agent of bee stings is generally believed to be formic acid. It therefore seems very desirable that we should have more accurate information regarding the action of this drug on different species of the lower animals, and through them on man himself.