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RUMOR OF DEATH OF DIAZ DENIED

Washington, D. C., March 9.—The report that President Diaz of Mexico has been dead 48 hours spread rapidly through officialdom here...

Following a conference with President Diaz, Ambassador De La Barra said that the president personally reiterated his assurances of America's good intentions towards the Diaz government.

Confidence in New York. New York, March 9.—Senator Jose Limantour, Mexican minister of finance, and J. P. Morgan, Jr., London member of Morgan & Co., held a long secret conference at the Plaza hotel here this morning.

Havana, March 9.—It was reliably reported in Mexican circles here today that the government has recalled General Bernardo Reyes from Paris to support Carral and resume command of the Mexican army.

CHINA REJECTS RUSSIA'S DEMANDS

London, March 9.—The Chinese foreign minister refused today to accede to Russia's demands for trading privileges on the island of Chinkwangtao, in Chi Li province.

BANKER'S SUICIDE

London, March 9.—The corner's inquiry into the death of A. W. Balfour, manager of the Bank of Montreal, brought in a verdict to the effect that he committed suicide while temporarily insane.

ASSESSED ONES MAY NOW VOTE

Yielding to pressure of public opinion Attorney-General Bower has rendered a decision in the affirmative to the following question which had been submitted to him by the Victoria Voters' League.

Dear Sir,—In answer to the question your deputation put before me yesterday, namely: "Can an assessed owner of property become entitled to vote under the definition of 'householder' in the Municipal Elections Act, 1908, by paying his \$2 road tax, or what is commonly known as 'Poll Tax'?"

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BRIDGES SWEEP AWAY BY FLOODS

Santa Barbara, Cal., March 9.—Following the heaviest storm of recent years, the Santa Inez river reached the highest mark in the memory of the oldest inhabitants at 8 o'clock today and was still rising.

DISTRESS ALREADY BEING FELT IN MANY DISTRICTS IN CALIFORNIA

Reports from surrounding sections indicated that the streets already were being flooded in many districts, and hundreds are being driven from their homes.



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BRITAIN'S POLICY

Declares Government Did Not Send Instructions to Ambassador Bryce

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WANT MANDAMUS AGAINST CITY

Special hearing of Payment of Road Tax Through Agent Case To-morrow

George Morphy and Frank Higgins, solicitors, this morning appeared before Mr. Justice Morrison in Supreme court chambers and obtained special leave to have mandamus proceedings against the city of Victoria.

NEW APARTMENT HOUSE PLANNED

Three-Storey Brick and Stone Structure to Go Up on Field Street

The interior equipment will be of the most modern design. There will be a separate bathroom attached to each suite, this necessitating 24 separate sets of plumbing.

TEN-STOREY BLOCK SEEMS ASSURED

Making arrangements to clear the site. Ambitious Project is Being Financed Largely by Local Capital

That all doubt has been dispelled relative to the future of the ambitious plans of the syndicate which was formed recently to arrange for the erection of a magnificent ten storey structure on the site of the old Spencer building, was demonstrated this morning when the Times ascertained on excellent authority that overtures are now being had to contractors for bids to clear the site for the big building.

Some difficulty was experienced at the outset in securing the money necessary to finance the project, these endeavors to enlist the support of Vancouver capital. Not much progress being made in that direction, attention was turned to Victoria, and the Times learned this morning that this latest effort has resulted successfully and that the major portion of the stock in the company will be held by prominent business men in this city.

Kingston, Ont., March 9.—Charles Goldsmith, serving 2 years for murderous assault upon a woman near London, Ont., fourteen years ago, committed suicide. He cut his shirt into strips and hanged himself to the cell door.

ITALIAN WARSHIPS SENT TO TRIPOLI

Several Officers Reported Killed or Wounded in Anti-Turkish Outbreak

Washington, D. C., March 9.—Seventeen Hindus now detained by the immigration authorities at Seattle must be admitted to the United States because of a loophole in the law, although the department of commerce and labor is convinced they should be kept out of the country.

WILL NOT GRANT CITY'S REQUESTS

Government's Reply to Civic Deputation. Argument Advanced That Additional Powers Asked for Are Unnecessary

London, March 9.—The colonial troops attending the coronation will be quartered at the Duke of York school at Chelsea. Lord Strathcona has given \$1,250 towards their entertainment fund.

LORD KITCHENER WILL BE IN COMMAND

To Head All Troops Taking Part in Coronation Ceremonies

London, March 9.—The Bank of England reduced today its discount rate to 5 per cent. The reduction was made at the officers' said, because of the great influx of gold.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

London, March 9.—Charles Abbott, a prosperous east end butcher, has been missing from his place of business and his home for ten days.

DIES FROM INJURIES

Mincedosa, Man., March 9.—Jack O'Brien was caught in the belt of the Pennington mill today and suffered injuries from which he died in a few hours.

NEW WINNIPEG BLOCK

Winnipeg, March 9.—Alloway & Champion, private bankers, have bought the Albion hotel, corner of Main and Henry, for \$100,000, and will erect a big block.