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CONFERENCE SURPRISES.

Some of the Incidents of the Methodist Gathering.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

A Delegate Demands an Explanation for the Fact that the Methodist Organ, the Daily Christian Advocate, Was Being Hawked About Chicago on Sunday.

Chicago, May 7.—The session of the Methodist general conference today was full of life, of brisk debate and some feeling. There was consternation among the delegates when it was learned that the Daily Christian Advocate had been hawked about on Sunday; there was violent opposition to Dr. J. M. Buckley's resolution directing that all articles on controversies under discussion by the conference be eliminated from the Daily Advocate and a resolution by former Congressman M. W. Johnson, of North Dakota, giving the approval of the conference to the use of individual communication cups was cried down without the formality of a discussion.

Dr. Buckley's resolution concerning the suppression of certain articles was passed by a vote of 233 to 279. Dr. J. E. Price, of New York, questioned the constitutionality of the amendment (248) and asked that the committee on judiciary look into the matter. In explanation Dr. Price said: "I do not believe the paragraph is constitutional because it is a judicial ruling, but was not delivered in a case on trial. The paragraph was adopted in 1872 and not as the result of a trial."

At the beginning of the session a stranger, tall and well looking arose and for several minutes delayed the conference by a disconnected harangue. He was quiet but no sooner had he taken his seat than Dr. A. D. Leonard demanded to know by whose authority the Daily Christian Advocate, which represents the doings of the conference, had been hawked about the streets like any secular newspaper. It was said, he declared, with much vigor, at the very door of the auditorium while the Methodists were entering to attend divine service.

"I want to put a motion right here," said the delegate from Cincinnati, "that hereafter our paper be not sold on the Sabbath and that the proper authorities be directed to enforce the rule."

D. D. Thompson, manager of the paper, explained that the papers sold were back numbers, that they were not authorized and that it would not occur again.

NO BAIL.

The Nineteen-Year-Old Murderer to be Given No Opportunity for Escape.

New York, May 7.—John Garabrant, the 19 year old boy who killed his playmate, Henry Mas, was examined today in the police court in Jersey City. Police Captain Kelly testified that Garabrant had made a confession and that when the accused youth saw Mas' body he identified it by saying: "Yes, this is the boy I killed." Garabrant was not represented by counsel and made no defense. He was held without bail for the grand jury.

NEWS OF THE HEATHEN QUEEN.

Ruler of Swaziland Hastens the Harvest.

London, May 7.—A despatch from Lobombo, dated Thursday, May 3, says the Queen of Swaziland has ordered the Swazis to hasten their harvesting and assemble for worship for the dead king. A Malagana chief and nine women and children have been killed at the Malagana kraal and the plains are strewn with the skeletons of murdered men.

FUND OPENED AT MANCHESTER.

London, May 7.—The lord mayor of Manchester has opened a fund for the relief of the sufferers by the recent fire at Ottawa.

STARVATION IN ST. KITTS.

Kingston, Ja., May 7.—Advices from St. Kitts say the island is in a terrible financial condition owing to the shortage of sugar crops and want, and starvation prevail among the people. The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, has been asked to start relief works.

THE OTHER WAR.

Filipinos Are Apparently Growing Bold.

TWO RECENT ATTACKS.

Reports Indicate Rebel Boldness and American Success -- After Each of the Assaults It Was Necessary to Bury a Good Many Natives.

Manila, May 7.—Two recent rebel attacks on the American garrisons in the Visayan Islands, resulted in the killing of 28 of the enemy and wounding of two Americans. At daybreak May 1st, 400 rebels, 100 of them armed with rifles, attacked the Catamaran garrison, "F" Company of the 43rd Regiment. The Americans charged the trenches the enemy had built, scattered the Filipinos and buried 155 of them. This attack was precipitated by the enemy's recent successful fight at Catubig. The garrison of Catamaran has been removed to the seaport of Laganan. A force of 200 Filipinos, armed with rifles and 400 armed with bolos, and operating four muzzle-loading cannon, attacked Jarro, on Leyte Island, on April 15, garrisoned by 25 men of "I" Company of the 43rd Regiment, Lieut. Bates commanding. Bates left 15 men to protect the town and with the remaining 10 men advanced on the enemy in two squads, sheltered by the ridges south of the town, whence they stood off the Filipinos for three hours. Then 29 armed members of the local police sallied out to help the Americans. The latter, the police, charged the enemy and together they dispersed the Filipinos and buried 123 of them. There were no American casualties.

UNITED STATES' BAD DEBT.

The United States Awaiting an Answer to an Emphatic Presentation.

Washington, May 7.—The announced intention of the Turkish government to transfer the conduct of the negotiations respecting the American indemnity claims from Constantinople to Washington, has not as yet been manifested in any official form. The department of state is thoroughly satisfied with the manner in which Mr. Griseom, the United States charge at Constantinople, has conducted his work and has no disposition to change its methods in the middle of a negotiation such as this.

At this particular juncture the United States government has had the last say and is now awaiting a response from the Turkish government to very forcible presentation of the reasons why it should redeem the Sultan's promises to Mr. Strauss and to his predecessors to pay for the American missionary property destroyed.

FREDERICTON NEWS.

Judge Vanwart Has Gone to Ottawa—The Drives Moving—Trial for Murder.

Fredricton, May 7.—Judge Vanwart is somewhat better and went to Ottawa Saturday. It is said his mission is an important one.

Ex-Midman Aitken, contractor for the corporation drives, says he has no doubt that all the lumber drives on the upper St. John and tributaries are making good progress and will be got out in good time.

The trial of James Little, charged with the murder of Edward Lawrence, of Lakeville Corner, will be taken up at the sitting of the Summary court tomorrow. Attorney General Emmerson and Mr. C. E. Duffy will conduct the prosecution and Mr. Harry McLeod has been retained for the defence.

Was Known in Birmingham.

Birmingham, Eng., May 7.—The late Mr. William Crowninshield Endicott, U. S. secretary of war under President Cleveland, was not unknown in Birmingham, as he had paid several visits to "Highburg," the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, and this evening the Unionists of West Birmingham and Central Birmingham adopted resolutions of condolence with Mrs. Chamberlain. There is considerable speculation as to whether the death of Mr. Endicott will prevent Mr. Chamberlain from fulfilling his engagement to address an important meeting of Liberal Unionists in this city Friday evening, an event which has been anticipated with great interest.

Aged One Hundred and Seven.

Barrie, Ont., May 7.—Mrs. Robert Armstrong is dead at Angus, in this county, aged 107 years. She was born in Ireland and came to Canada 60 years ago. She leaves over 90 descendants.

HEROES IN RAGS.

TORONTO, Ont., May 7.—The Telegram's special cable from London says: The Morning Standard correspondent, describing the capture of Bloemfontein, refers to the entry of the Canadians: "They are fit, strapping fellows; broad-shouldered, clean-limbed and blue-eyed. They swing past with an easy stride and free gait, conscious of the strength and pride which brought them from the lakes and mountains of Canada. Their boots were out at the toes, stockings darned, breeches torn, then mended and torn again, but every tatter and every stain was honor to those sons from over the sea, who have marched shoulder to shoulder with regiments of long and great traditions."

THE ADVANCE WAS ACCORDING TO PROGRAMME.

The Plans of Roberts and Kitchener Were Thoroughly Carried Out—Boers are Now Retreating and Concentrating for a Final Stand.

London, May 8, 4.20 a. m.—The Boers are everywhere retiring before the British, except on the Natal frontier and at Mafeking. They appear determined not to fight until the Kronstadt hills are reached. Lord Roberts is expected to do another 40 or 50 miles and then wait for a time in order to bring up supplies and to repair the railway. There are one or two hints in the despatches from the front that he may rest for a few days at Smaldef.

Gen. French's 10,000 cavalry have not been mentioned in the official or unofficial despatches for four days. It is by no means likely that he is idle, and the conjecture is that he is either detouring toward Kronstadt or raiding the Ladysbrand district. Fifteen thousand British are now operating on the western frontier of the Free State. As the deadlock at Warrington has been broken and the Boers are retreating there is nothing formidable, except distance, between Warrington and Mafeking.

The most hopeful advices from Mafeking on April 22 were that the garrison would be barely able to hold out for a month. At that time the fever was spreading. According to advices from Maseru, Basutoland, several thousand Free State troops are now at Mafeking, where they have collected great herds. The district is rich in food for men and horses; and the Boers seem resolved not to move northward, but to be preparing to resist where they are. If they are alone, they will menace the line of communications after the main British army has passed into the Transvaal.

Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener personally directed the artillery in the Vot river engagement. Queen Victoria will send a signal photograph to Col. Kelewich, the hero of Kimberley.

Six thousand four hundred and fifty-eight troops are now at sea on the way to South Africa. No others are under orders to go except as recruits to fill the losses of regiments at the front.

TEN DOLLARS FOR A POUND OF FLOUR.

Mafeking Holding Out to Spite the Boers.

London, May 8.—Lady Sarna Wilson wires from Mafeking under date of April 22 as follows: "The situation is unchanged. The garrison is depressed at their being no sign of relief, but is determined as ever to deprive the Boers of a crowning triumph on the western border."

A case of whisky realized £108 at a raffish; and a pound of flour was sold at auction for two guineas."

ANOTHER STEP TOWARD MAFEKING.

British Encamped North of the Vaal River.

Warrenton, Cape Colony, May 7.—The Boers have been driven out of Fourteen Streams and the British are now encamped on the north bank of the Vaal River.

LT. McLEAN'S PROMOTION RECORDED.

In a Diary of a Canadian War Correspondent.

Mr. Frederick Hamilton, correspondent of the Toronto Globe with the first Canadian contingent, in his diary of Feb. 29 to March 8, has the following under date of Monday, February 28: "Today Lieut. C. W. McLean was appointed orderly officer to Sir Henry Colville, our divisional commander. The appointment has been pending for some time, and was, in point of fact, offered to Lieut. McLean when the regiment was at Jacobabad. The appointment comes directly as a compliment to the battalion, and it was as such that Col. Otter was asked to recommend a suitable officer. Lieut. McLean is the youngest of the officers in point of actual years, as well as of seniority, but has done his work so well as fully to merit the distinction conferred upon him. It is understood that he intends to follow the profession of arms, and this will give him an excellent start."

Under date of Wednesday, February 28, he writes: "Lieut. McLean appeared in the divisional orders as A. D. C. (extra) to Sir Henry Colville."

In his entry for Friday, March 2, is

GENERAL TUCKER'S DIVISION IS MARCHING ON OUR LEFT TODAY; AND GENERAL MAXWELL'S BRIGADE WILL BE ABLE TO CROSS THE RIVER BEFORE NIGHT.

Lord Roberts has been very strict in his examination of the farms, with the result of disclosing the fact that nearly every house is a miniature arsenal, rifles and abundant ammunition being found. If there had not been discovered the army would have been leaving in its rear the material in men and arms for a dangerous movement among the inhabitants.

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All along the railway the culverts, wherever of any size, have been utterly destroyed.

Three of the four spans of the Vet river bridge have been destroyed; and it will be necessary to make a temporary line down the river bed, as at the Modder.

Reports have been heard this afternoon showing that more culverts and bridges are being destroyed northward.

REFERENCE TO TELEGRAMS OF CONGRATULATION.

One is that of the mayor of St. John—then Mr. Edward Sears.

SNYMAN WANTS TO RETREAT FROM MAFEKING.

Afraid of Having His Line of Communications Cut.

London, May 8.—The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the Times says: "Commandant Snyman is so alarmed at the prospect of having his retreat cut off that he has appealed for permission to retire northward from Mafeking to intercept Col. Plumer."

TWO CANADIANS SICK.

Toronto, May 7.—The Telegram's special cable from London says the war office has been notified by cable from Cape Town that Private A. Thereault, of the Ninth Battalion and in "F" Company, who was wounded in the foot at Paardeberg, is seriously ill. Private Agassiz, who went out with the second contingent, is also seriously ill.

RUSSIANS AND CHINESE.

Trouble Along the Trans-Siberian Railway Line.

London, May 8.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says: "A serious friction between the Russians and the Chinese in Manchuria on the Russian railway construction route. In one case a detachment of 35 Chinese soldiers shot the Russian captain of 10 Cossacks who were doing police duty. The Cossacks attacked and pursued the Chinese, cutting them down. The Russian government sent a complaint to Peking demanding the punishment of the highest Chinese official of the district. China complied. There have been severer cases of this kind since the Russian engineers by Chinese brigades."

WILL TAKE HIS BEST WIFE.

Shah of Persia Has Arranged a Little Adventure.

London, May 8.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says: "The favorite wife of the Shah of Persia, a beautiful Circassian, will accompany him during his forthcoming tour in Europe disguised in male attire."

Master of the Rolls.

London, May 7.—Sir Nathaniel Lindley, master of the rolls since October, 1897, has resigned. Sir Richard Webster, attorney general, has been appointed his successor and Sir Robert Bannatyne Finley, solicitor general, succeeds Sir Richard Webster.

Boston Welcomed Mrs. Langtry.

Boston, May 7.—Boston has given a most enthusiastic welcome to Mrs. Langtry in the Degenerates at the Hollis Street Theatre this evening. The orchestra was under the stage and every seat was sold long before the performance. Boston did not have the slightest whisper of opposition to the play, but judging from the repeated curtain calls which Mrs. Langtry received, it gave her the warmest approval. In a word, she has never made such a Boston success.

Europe is Using Up Gold.

New York, May 7.—It was estimated today by foreign exchange experts that gold exports during the week were likely to be between \$5,000,000 and \$5,000,000. In other quarters these are regarded as extraordinary figures. In all probability, however, one or more shipments of gold will be made to London.

Home for Aged People.

Salem, Mass., May 7.—By the will of the late George H. Carleton, of Georgetown, admitted in the probate court at Salem today, \$30,000 is bequeathed to establish the Carleton Home for Aged People in Georgetown.

GREETING GALLANT TARS.

Men from H. M. S. Powerful Who Saved Ladysmith

NOW OWN LONDON.

Thousands Upon Thousands Cheered the Men of the Naval Brigade as They Passed from the Admiralty to the Mansion House—Inspected by the Prince of Wales.

London, May 7.—The annals of service demonstrations probably show nothing to parallel the enthusiasm with which the naval heroes of Ladysmith, the officers and crew of the British first class cruiser Powerful, were greeted in London today. The scenes in the streets were remarkable and inspiring. The whole route was a floating mass of color and the enthusiasm displayed was of the most frantic description. The flags of all nations, banners and mottoes formed an almost continuous canopy for Captain Lambton and the contingent of the Powerful to pass under. Stands were erected at all the points of vantage, the houses were crowded with sightseers, women and children commingled in the streets below, vying with one another in honoring the gallant sailors who saved Ladysmith. There was one continuous roar of greeting, waving handkerchiefs, flags and hats, as the naval brigade, with the khaki colored guns, marched from the depot to the Horse Guards parade, where the Prince of Wales in the uniform of an admiral of the fleet, accompanied by the first lord of the admiralty, Mr. George J. Goschen, and a number of high naval and military officers, inspected the blue-jackets. They were surrounded by thousands of privileged guests, who warmly applauded the defenders of Ladysmith, but whose recognition of the sailors in no way equalled the intense enthusiasm displayed in the streets.

After the inspection by the Prince of Wales and others the parade formed a square, with the officers in the centre and the first lord of the admiralty and the Prince of Wales in the rear of the line. In admiration of the work and valor of the seamen and officers, and then Mr. Goschen individually introduced them to the Prince of Wales, who shook hands with them and said a few words to each.

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The march of the naval brigade of the Powerful from the admiralty to the Mansion House was marked by more numerous crowds of people than London has seen for many a day. From all parts of the country men and women had come and they were determined to get a glimpse of Capt. Lambton, his tiny midshipman and the trusty tars, and so they struggled to get on kump posts and window ledges and forced their way into private offices. Capt. Lambton, riding, wearing a cocked hat and looking brown and bored, was followed by 100 mounted policemen, who had to prepare the route, and the band of the Coldstream Guards. Behind Capt. Lambton was a line of band, after which came the blue-jackets. Amid thunderous cheers and the waving of flags from several hundred thousand people they entered the Royal Exchange and set down to tea. This finished they marched back to the station and returned to Portsmouth this evening, after receiving one of the greatest ovations ever tendered by the people of London to the British navy.

Fire Spoiled a Sale.

Portland, Me., May 7.—The Bayes ign, formerly the John Winslow Jones homestead, situated near Riverton Park, Deerbrook district, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. Loss, \$12,000; insurance, \$8,500. Mr. Bayes, the owner of the property, says he had completed negotiations for its sale, and the papers were to have been signed tonight.

A Question of Livelihood—"Sure, Terence, if ye go to the front, kape at the back, or ye'll be killed. Oh kape out!"

Terence—"Faith, an' isn't that the way of gettin' my livin'?"—Dunelm.

A TOTAL LOSS.

The Montpelier, Ashore on Newfoundland Condemned.

St. John's, Nfld., May 7.—The result of the marine survey on the wrecked steamer Montpelier, which went ashore early last Friday morning on Big Yankee Shoal, six miles west of Cape Ray, is the condemnation of the vessel as a total loss.

MAYOR ASKED TO RESIGN.

Citizens of Atlanta Object to His Personal Habits.

Atlanta, Ga., May 7.—The city council tonight adopted a resolution calling on Mayor James G. Woodruff to resign his office. The resolution was the culmination of a sermon last night by Rev. L. C. Broughton, in which the minister made violent attack on the mayor's personal habits. The resolution calls upon the mayor to resign before the next meeting of the council two weeks from today. The leader of the opposition to Mr. Woodruff says the mayor is in honor bound under the terms of a statement made last summer to resign. The mayor tonight declined to say what his action would be.

THE BISLEY TEAM.

Ottawa, May 7.—The following are announced as the list of the members of the Bisley team: 1, Pte. L. A. Langstroth 74th Battalion, Sussex; 2, Sergt. W. Swaine, 14th P. W. O. R. Kingston; 3, Sergt. J. C. Carruthers, 4th Hussars, Prescott; 4, Gunner A. Fleming, 5th R. C. A., Victoria, B. C.; 5, Captain A. T. Kirkpatrick, Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto; 6, Lt. A. A. Smith, 59th Battalion, Cornwall; 7, Lt. D. J. C. Monroe, 44th Battalion, Thorold; 8, Pte. R. Tink, 43rd Battalion, Ottawa; 9, Sergt. H. Morris, 13th Battalion, Hamilton; 10, Lt. W. F. Graham, 77th Battalion, Dundas; 11, Sergt. J. McVittie, 48th Highlanders, Toronto; 12, Lt. W. A. McCrimmon, 7th Fusiliers, London; 13, Lt. John Ogg, 1st B. F. A., Quelpah; 14, Sergt. J. C. Smith, 48th Highlanders, Toronto; 15, Pte. G. Mulligan 14th P. W. O. R., Kingston; 16, Lt. H. C. Blair, 78th Battalion Truro; 17, Sergt. R. Corrigan, 59th Battalion, Cornwall; 18, Lt. A. D. Crooks, Q. U. O., Toronto; 19, Sergt. C. E. Morse, 69th Battalion, Wolfville, N. S.; 20, Corp. W. J. Annand, 43rd Battalion, Ottawa.

BURIED IN BRICK.

Collapse of a Three Story Building

IN KANSAS CITY.

The Ruins Covered Seven Persons—All Were Injured but None Will Die—A Former Mayor of the Town Hurt—Took Twenty Minutes to Dig Him Out.

Kansas City, Mo., May 7.—A three story brick building at 1302 Grand avenue, the business center, occupied on a ground floor by Jacob Goodman as an onhand store and above by Mrs. M. S. Sahn as a rooming house, collapsed today burying seven persons in the ruins. It is believed none of the injured will die. John W. Moore, aged 70, former mayor of Kansas City, was seriously hurt.

The building, which was an ancient structure, had been condemned several months ago and had recently been well used by workmen excavating for a six building on the adjoining lot. The building collapsed almost without warning, the walls bulging out and the roof crashing in before any of the inmates could make any move to escape. The wreck was complete. The ruins were soon covered with firemen digging for the buried ones.

Goodman, his wife, two daughters and W. Kline, father of Mrs. Goodman, live in the rear of the second floor. Ann Goodman, 15 years old, was sick in bed. Soon after the crash, Mrs. Goodman covered with mortar and dust, crawled from beneath one of the floors, only slightly bruised and cried to be allowed to return to look for her children.

John W. Moore, formerly mayor of Kansas City, and a member of the board of trade, was taken out of the wreck unconscious. He had evidently been in a room on the second floor and when the building fell ten feet under him, he was buried ten feet under brick and broken furniture. It was 20 minutes before the firemen could dig their way to him. He was removed unconscious to the hospital. There later it was reported that his injuries while serious, were not necessarily fatal. Owing to his advanced age, however, he may not survive the shock.

Ann Goodman was found buried to the feet beneath the debris and was rescued by her father, who had escaped with severe bruises. Her injuries consisted of a fractured arm. Her husband, age eight years, was rescued soon after the building collapsed. She was severely bruised. W. Kline was taken from the ruins badly hurt, but suffering no broken bones and was able to walk away.

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DEATHS.

MORGAN—In this city on May 4, after a brief illness, Patrick Morgan, aged 88 years, a native of Lisburn, County Antrim, Ireland, leaving four sons and three daughters to mourn their loss.

MARINE JOURNAL.

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the boys on board. The moon was so bright at night that while it was full many of the boys could read by it.

The first land we sighted was Frogue Island, and it was so far away that we could barely distinguish it from the clouds.

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Jubilee - \$36.00 Columbia \$50.00-\$75.00 Hartford - \$40.00 Cleveland - \$40 to \$60 A Jubilee Bicycle at \$36

Think of it. W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd. ST. JOHN.

A Large Section of the Docks and Sheds of the New Jersey Storage Company Burned--An Oil Steamer and Three Oil Barges Blaze Up.

New York, May 7.—Fire tonight destroyed a large section of the docks and sheds of the New Jersey Storage Company, connected with the Standard Oil Company's Constable Hook works, causing a property loss of \$500,000.

Mansion House Fund Now Amounts to Almost Two Hundred Thousand Dollars--Stealing in Ottawa and Fire District--Protection Considered.

Ottawa, May 7.—Mr. Henry Richer, St. Andrew street, has been arrested on the charge of stealing part of the furniture which he was engaged to drive to the fire. The furniture was discovered in his house.

Tornadoes in the West and Snow in the East.

Kansas City, Mo., May 8.—Half a dozen destructive tornadoes occurred in Central Kansas this afternoon following a day of exceedingly high temperature. Two people are known to have been killed and three injured. Wires are down in the affected districts, making it impossible to accurately sum up the damage done.

Sentry on the Welland Canal Wounded a Man.

Welland, May 7.—About 10 o'clock this morning, Private Edward Robinson, sentry duty for No. 5 Company 44th Battalion, guarding the Welland canal in this vicinity, described a man crawling on his hands and knees across the top of a pile of wood, toward the Port Robinson lock.

HIBERNIAN CONVENTION.

Three Hundred of the Order in Boston and More on the Way. Boston, May 7.—The Hibernians are their way to Boston, July 300 prominent members of the order already having here and registered as delegates to a national convention which will begin tomorrow. The national directors were first to gather in business session at the Quinny House. It is understood quite generally that the convention will express opinion on the war in South Africa, as if the majority is made up of friends and sympathizers with the Union Na Ga.

CHICAGO WHEAT AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago, May 7.—Board of trade markets were dull today. Wheat was depressed by lower cables and heavy world's shipments, but the tone was fairly steady, July closing at 4.50. Winter wheat 4.25 to 4.00. Corn, 2.75 to 2.50. Pork, 11.00 to 10.75. Lard, 11.00 to 10.75. Sugar, 11.00 to 10.75.

BOSTON PROVISIONS.

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AN ATTACK ON THE WEI-HAI-WEI BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

Shanghai, May 7.—A premeditated attack was made upon two camps of the boundary commission on May 6. Major Penrose and four men of a Chinese regiment were wounded. The attacking party was repulsed with the loss of 20 men killed. The disturbances are due to Chinese officials working against the interests of the mission.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN N. B., MAY 9, 1900.

Emperor William of Germany Displays His Military Strength for the Benefit of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria.

Berlin, May 5.—This was another ideal spring day, regular "Kaiser Wetter," just the thing for the interesting army manoeuvres held this morning. Emperor William and Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria left the Abthal depot at 8 a. m., arriving an hour later on the immense plain of Jutecberg, where the sham fights were arranged. The exercises occupied an hour and a half, after which the Emperor lunched, returning to Berlin at 1 p. m.

The German Capital's Topics of Discussion.

Berlin, May 5.—Everything during the last few days was driven into the background by the court festivities. However, there were a number of interesting things outside that need comment. Emperor William's congratulatory telegram to the President of Brazil is here interpreted as being intended as being a definite answer to the insinuations imputing to Germany designs on Southern Brazil. The National Zeitung says:

"There is no need to be reminded of the Monroe Doctrine. Never were such aims seriously entertained in political circles in Germany and such annexation schemes seem likewise impossible in the future. In Germany it will be highly appreciated if German settlements in the United States or Brazil preserve their language and affection for the fatherland. Acquired United States citizenship will, however, never be interfered with on Germany's part. In this sense the Emperor's utterance of sympathy is sympathetic in nature."

The United States ambassador, Mr. Andrew D. White, conferred several times this week with the minister of foreign affairs, Count von Buelow, on the subject of German-American imports and exports. Mr. White specially dwelt on the fact that besides the large increase lately of Germany's exports to the United States, Germany had all along been the sole provider for the officers and crews, besides largely building up German shipping, notably that of Bremen and Hamburg.

The "New Zeitung" publishes a number of articles dealing with the Boer campaign, comparing both with Cromwell and the Boers with the Ironsides, saying that some day historians will stand amazed when they read the accounts of the Boer campaign, the little Transvaal kept John Bull in check. These articles have been widely reprinted.

The topographical details are steadily proceeding. The Cologne municipal authority has struck off a fine medal, to be presented to the officers and crews, bearing the inscription: "Zur Erinnerung an die Rheinfahrt, 1900." At Bonn today, the university corps appeared in its traditional gala costume to welcome the fleet. Both shores of the Rhine are constantly lined with people cheering the crews and offering them refreshments of Rhine wine. Every place along the route has arranged a programme for the reception of the fleet.

A special Moroccan Mission is travelling through Germany placing orders for war materials.

Moncton Watching Officer Belyea With Interest.

Moncton, May 6.—(Special)—Temperance people in the past have found fault with the non-enforcement of the Scott act, but as a result of the double prosecution being carried on now by ex-inspector Belyea, on his own account, and Officer Scott, on behalf of the city, there is likely to be too much enforcement.

Saturday three parties were served with Scott act papers by both Belyea and the city. As in a previous case the complainant filed the intention apparently being to undermine Belyea's operations. Belyea tells his friends to wait for the finish. What that will be it is difficult to say.

Napoleon Allen, a boy 14 years old, had a narrow escape from death while working in J. D. Irving's saw mill at Buctouche last Thursday. Young Allen was putting on a belt when he was caught in the shifting around which he was whirled. Both arms were broken badly and he was otherwise injured. While his injuries were serious, yet he is now doing well and will recover.

John Chapman, moulder in the Record Foundry, died at his home here today, after a brief illness of pneumonia. He deceased was about 20 years old and only last Sunday marched with the Foresters at the funeral of a brother Forester.

Death of a Missionary. Chamberburg, Pa., May 5.—Friends of Bishop Jesse Engle, of the River Brethren church, here, have been notified of his death near Balmaw, South Africa, April 23, of apoplexy. Bishop Engle was 62 years of age. He had been in South Africa for two years.

NEW MOWN HAY is sweet smelling and a source of honest profit, but pneumonia from a cough is neither pleasant nor profitable, so insure with 25c. with a bottle of Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam. 25c. all Druggists.

Symbols of Success

A vacant chair and a portrait on the wall—strange symbols of success! Yet, in many a home these are the symbols of the success of the man who did not find time to care for his health, or neglected the increasing warnings of disease which Nature gave him.

When the stomach is weak and food is imperfectly digested and assimilated, it is only a question of time until the break-down comes. The stomach is the very center of vital power and must be kept in healthy condition. If sickness is to be avoided, Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and the organs of digestion and nutrition. It increases the supply of pure, rich blood, and gives the body strength to withstand the attacks of disease.

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Several People Badly Hurt in a Demonstration for the Admiral at St. Louis.

St. Louis, May 5.—With a parade of naval and civic organizations of Missouri and an informal reception by the loyal legion the two days' celebration in St. Louis in honor of Admiral Dewey came to an end.

Probably 50,000 people, including 75,000 from outside points, stood patiently for hours along the line of march to see the admiral and cheered him wildly as he was driven by in the parade. At some points the crowds were so great the police were helpless. In front of the grand stand at the exposition building for an hour before the parade reached that point packed the street, curb to curb, for a distance of three blocks, a narrow passage for the parade finally being cleared.

On board the barge Sherwood were Charles Lochs, the captain, 36 years old; his wife, Lena, 39 years old, and their daughter, Rose, nine months old. The Lochs family were awakened by the flames. The barge was already on fire. The father took the baby in his arms and with his wife jumped into the water. Captain Timothy Boylan, formerly in command of the barge New Brunswick, plunged in to save the woman, who had become exhausted. Her husband, who still held the baby in his arms, saw that his wife was on the point of going down.

It became a question to him as to which he should save, his wife or baby. He therefore let the baby go, in the hope that she would be picked up by some one else, and went to the assistance of his wife. He managed to hold her head above water until Boylan reached them. All three were then landed by life lines. The half-drowned captain and his wife were removed to the Hudson street hospital, where later they recovered.

On the coal barge S. H. Hand, which lay alongside the other burning barges, were the captain, Joseph Plumb, his wife and two children. All were rescued by the police, but Patrolman Jeremiah Cronin was badly burned while taking one of the children ashore. All hands on board the lighter Charno got ashore safely. Michael Sheldon, of that boat, was compelled to jump into the water, from which he was rescued.

Three large vessels were lying so near the blazing pier that their safety was endangered. The steamer San Marcos, the steamer Neuses, which were towed into midstream and the barge St. James, the rigging of which was burned before she could be towed out of harms way.

The scene on the water was a most exciting one, for the river was filled with craft, nearly all of which were engaged in towing the various vessels and barges to safety. Four cotton barges, others laden with coal and some loaded with coal, caught fire and were destroyed, some of them also were sunk to prevent the further spread of the flames.

A number of buildings on South street were scorched and several were emptied of their tenants, who feared that the buildings would be burned.

Smallpox Victim at Winnipeg. Winnipeg, May 5.—William Deering died at the Winnipeg smallpox quarantine at that disease last night. His constitution has been weakened by previous attacks of fever and diphtheria and he sank rapidly. The other patients are reported to be doing well.

Victim of the Smallpox at Winnipeg. Winnipeg, May 6.—Nurse Lynch, from the General Hospital, one of the patients at quarantine here, died this afternoon after a week's illness. She was a native of Moncton, N. B. She entered the hospital a few months ago. She was aged about 22.

There were nine marriages and 22 births registered here last week.

The Two Mounted Battalions Were With Other Colonials Under Gen. Hutton in the Operations About Brandfort.

Brandfort, May 5.—The capture of the town was the result of an admirably conceived and well executed combined movement. The night before the British advanced, 4,000 Boers moved large taking up a strong line of defence with the avowed object of opposing the British to the bitter end. As a result of the strategy of Lord Roberts they were forced to retreat. He had nearly lost a convoy of guns and abandoning the defence of the town.

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Scenes of Horror Among India's Starving Thousands.

London, May 5.—The report that cholera is strengthening its deadly hold on famine-stricken India brings the pitiful condition of that country more to public view. About 93,500,000 persons, for this is the population of the districts affected, are suffering from starvation. In the midst of pestilence and misery that show no signs of abating, hundreds of thousands of people are dying daily.

The British districts are reported to be so far, escaping large starvation and mortality that mark the native states. In an open space upwards of 200 were seen, old and young, being famine perished. The small arising from their pitiful condition and had attracted myriads of flies. Some, especially the old men, were very emaciated, and with visible arms and legs, were more dreadful still. Many were suffering from disease, cholera, and the fever. Those who could work were sent on work gangs, but they were given a meal and passed on to the poor houses.

This picture is a less seriously affected part of the country. The sufferings in the remote districts, where the famine is severe, where all the cattle had at long last perished, and where cholera has now added its dread scourge, can well be imagined.

The Great Northern Will Make a Terminus There—To Handle Grain. Quebec, May 6.—The Great Northern Railway is to be opened the first of June, when, at Montreal, it will ship all its grain by this route. The company has completed the purchase of a number of locomotives and a large lot of rolling stock especially for the purpose. Extensive workshops are to be commenced here.

"Winter Finds Out What Summer Lays By." Be it spring, summer, autumn or winter, someone in the family is "under the weather" from trouble originating in impure blood or low condition of the system.

All these, of whatever name, can be cured by the great blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. It never disappoints. It is a sufferer from indigestion, or a sufferer from the diseases of the stomach and the organs of digestion and nutrition, who will find in Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery a cure.

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Woman Held for a Crime.

New York, May 8.—The coroner's jury in the "Mary Smith" case today found Mrs. Kersten guilty of abortion and ordered a warrant for her arrest. Mrs. Kersten was found guilty of being an accessory and was held in \$5,000 bail and sent to the Tombs.

Dix. "Did that policeman die a natural death?" His. "Yes; he just went from one sleep into another, he fell into the last sleep." (Chicago News.)

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The Boers are making a long detour in pursuit. The result is not yet known here. Washington, May 5.—Referring to the statement made yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. Balfour, government leader, that Her Majesty's government was considering the advisability of further representations through this government to the condition of England's prisoners at Pretoria, state department officials say the British government has made no representations of this nature on this subject. The state department is in receipt of reports at regular intervals from United States Consul Hay at Pretoria, in which he is endeavoring to describe the condition of these prisoners. From his reports it appears that while this condition is not all it might be, still the Boers probably are treating them with as much consideration as they are able to exercise at present. Consul Hay has been doing everything in his power to add to the comfort of the prisoners in accordance with his instructions as the British authorities have expressed their gratitude for his good offices. His task has been a delicate one, but it appears that he has so far discharged it in a manner as to avoid giving any offence to the Boer officials with whom he is in excellent terms. Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, called upon Secretary Hay at the state department today, but made no fresh representations to the Boer government touching the treatment of the prisoners.

London, May 5.—A despatch from Cape Town says: "The general feeling here, in which official circles participate, is that Lord Roberts' advance towards Pretoria will be rapid. The Boer prisoners do not anticipate that any effective resistance will be encountered."

London, May 6.—A despatch from Alwal North, dated May 5, says: "Three hundred captured cattle and horses were brought in last night. The wounded are being gradually moved here from Maiteng." London, May 7.—Women have been placed in the government offices in the Transvaal in order to relieve the burghers for active service. Two New South Wales Lancers who escaped from Waterfall prison have arrived at Delagoa Bay after a dangerous journey. The volksraad will meet in Pretoria today. Probably the sitting will be memorable. The Johannesburg shell factory has resumed work with Austrian, Italian and Greek workmen. Alwal North, Cape Colony, May 4.—Smithfield was occupied yesterday by General Hart's brigade. Out of the 150 Boers in the town 25 were captured and the rest decamped.

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London, May 6.—3 p. m.—The war office has published the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Vet River, Saturday, May 5, 7.15 p. m. "The Boers have been today with Pole-Carew's division. Headquarters and Wavell's brigade, of the seventh division, are two miles in the rear, Maxwell's brigade, of the same division, is the same distance to our right.

The enemy are in considerable strength on the opposite bank of the river. Our guns engaged theirs for some three hours without our being able to force a passage of the river, but shortly before dusk, the mounted infantry, under General Hutton, crossed the river in a deep and dashing manner, pushed across the river under heavy shell and musketry fire.

"We are now bivouacking for the night within three miles of Vet River. Our casualties, I hope, are not numerous. "Hamilton was in action yesterday and succeeded in preventing a junction of two Boer forces by a well executed movement by some of the Household Cavalry, the Twelfth Lancers and Kitchener's Horse, who charged a body of the enemy and inflicted serious loss on their ranks. "The enemy's position was quite four miles long and strongly held. He states that our men marched magnificently and carried the ridge after ridge in grand style. "Casualties in this force, in Hamilton's and Hunter's will be reported as soon as possible.

Captain Miller, who was taken prisoner near Thaba N'chu, has been sent to Bartlett's camp by the enemy, with a severe wound in the abdomen. "Barton reports that one sergeant and three men were captured on May 2, while on patrol and that one of them, who had been brutally ill-treated and left for dead by the Boers, was found the following day.

Lieut. Lilley, Victoria Mounted Rifles, reported missing, was found at Brandfort dangerously wounded and was being fully attended by the Netherlands Ambulance Corps."

Vet River, Sunday, May 6.—Yesterday the British, after a long march, encountered the Boers holding Vet River, with six guns, two being of long range. General Pole-Carew had started at day-break on a 19 mile march. He first came into contact with the Boers holding the river at one o'clock p. m. The British soon had two batteries in action and later they added two naval nine-pounders, two 47 and 5 inch siege guns.

The Boers fired with great accuracy and the duel continued unabated until sunset; and even later there was desultory firing. It is marvellous that nobody on the British side was injured.

General Hutton started early to find the drift on the west. When this was discovered it proved to be strongly held and protected by two guns. The British speedily engaged the Boers, who entailed the dismounted firing line with a Maxim, but General Hutton pushed forward his own ponies and galloping Maxim and forced the Boers to leave the river bed.

Meanwhile General Hunter, after a sharp engagement, crossed the river on the left just before sunset. The encounter was terribly hot. Later the whole British force crossed the river, threatening the Boer right and forcing them to retreat. The British soon received about the same time news of General Hamilton's occupation of Winburg.

About sunset the detachment of twenty-five Australians, who had crept unseen toward the river bed, found themselves near a kopje occupied by the Boers. After firing, they lay beyond and charged, ponies and galloping Maxim and forced the Boers to leave their position.

This night fell. Early this morning, it was discovered that the whole Boer force had fled. General Hutton, during the night, got two squadrons to blow up the line near Southwell. The British discovered yesterday at every hundred yards along the railway, concealed small packets of high explosive. The Boers had destroyed three bridges overed sprouts between here and Brandfort, but in every case it was possible to make a detour.

The Boers appear to be fighting with much less spirit. It is reported that they are commanded by General Lucas Meyer. The bridge over the Vet River is completely destroyed. General Hutton captured a Maxim and took twelve prisoners. London, May 7, 4.10 a. m.—Lord Roberts is making better progress than any one had dared to hope and is meeting with success at all points. The only news of the actual occupation of Winburg is the incidental reference to it in the despatch from Vet River, describing General Pole-Carew's operations, but as the latest news of General Hamilton's operations, dated Saturday morning, was that he was then preparing to force the difficult passage over Little Vet river on the Bloemfontein-Winburg road, there can be no doubt that the occupation is accurate.

The Boers, following their customary practice, had evacuated their positions on the Vet river during Saturday night. As Lord Roberts, advancing along the railway and General Hamilton, 20 miles to the east, threatened the two wings of the Boer forces, it would not be surprising to hear that they had also evacuated Winburg. General Hamilton's advance will prevent the Boer forces in the direction of Thaba N'chu joining their main army near Winburg.

General Rundle, on Saturday, had arrived in pursuit of the Boers seven miles north of Thaba N'chu, compelling the Boers to retire in an easterly direction. A Boer account of the capture of Brandfort says: "The Federal forces, although weak in numbers, offered strong resistance, but they were forced by the overwhelming force opposed to them to evacuate the town." Warrenton, May 5.—The Boers today vainly attempted to reach the British new gun with their artillery, but some of the shells from the big gun effectually silenced them. Natives report that the Boers are vacating Christiania. Many of them admit that the situation is hopeless and apparently are trekking from Klipdam and Windsorton northward. Warren, May 5.—(Evening)—The Vaal River has been crossed at Windsorton by Barton's brigade, with whom is General Hunter, commanding the division. The Boers have evacuated Windsorton and Klipdam. They are trekking northward and are fighting for all they are worth. Barton is hanging on to their rear and shelling them vigorously. Judging from the dust the retreating Boers must be in large numbers. Warrenton, Sunday, May 6.—The engagement yesterday was severe and lasted from in the morning until 4 in the afternoon. More than one of the British infantry were obliged to engage the Boers at close quarters; and the Boers only retired when their retreat was nearly cut off. The British losses were five killed and 23 wounded, mostly Welsh Fusiliers. The British took a batch of prisoners including the Swedish ambulance, which they allowed to return. The Boers, in their hurried retreat, left thirteen dead. Today General Paget made a strong demonstration against the Boer position east of the bridge, thereby preventing Boer reinforcements going to assist in checking General Hunter's advance. Warrenton, Sunday, May 6.—Yesterday General Barton drove from 2,000 to 3,000 Boers from hill positions at Bostan, where they awaited them. They retreated after stiff fighting, leaving a number of dead on the field. The British casualties were slight. General Barton is still pursuing Windsorton and Klipdam have been evacuated. General Paget's brigade is attacking the Boer position at Warrenton. London, May 7.—General Hunter's progress, although slower, is satisfactory. The idea that the relief of Mafeking is in sight, however, appears to have been premature, as the Boers in that quarter are still stoutly resisting the British advance.

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The Boers are making a long detour in pursuit. The result is not yet known here. Washington, May 5.—Referring to the statement made yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. Balfour, government leader, that Her Majesty's government was considering the advisability of further representations through this government to the condition of England's prisoners at Pretoria, state department officials say the British government has made no representations of this nature on this subject. The state department is in receipt of reports at regular intervals from United States Consul Hay at Pretoria, in which he is endeavoring to describe the condition of these prisoners. From his reports it appears that while this condition is not all it might be, still the Boers probably are treating them with as much consideration as they are able to exercise at present. Consul Hay has been doing everything in his power to add to the comfort of the prisoners in accordance with his instructions as the British authorities have expressed their gratitude for his good offices. His task has been a delicate one, but it appears that he has so far discharged it in a manner as to avoid giving any offence to the Boer officials with whom he is in excellent terms. Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, called upon Secretary Hay at the state department today, but made no fresh representations to the Boer government touching the treatment of the prisoners.

London, May 5.—A despatch from Cape Town says: "The general feeling here, in which official circles participate, is that Lord Roberts' advance towards Pretoria will be rapid. The Boer prisoners do not anticipate that any effective resistance will be encountered."

London, May 6.—A despatch from Alwal North, dated May 5, says: "Three hundred captured cattle and horses were brought in last night. The wounded are being gradually moved here from Maiteng." London, May 7.—Women have been placed in the government offices in the Transvaal in order to relieve the burghers for active service. Two New South Wales Lancers who escaped from Waterfall prison have arrived at Delagoa Bay after a dangerous journey. The volksraad will meet in Pretoria today. Probably the sitting will be memorable. The Johannesburg shell factory has resumed work with Austrian, Italian and Greek workmen. Alwal North, Cape Colony, May 4.—Smithfield was occupied yesterday by General Hart's brigade. Out of the 150 Boers in the town 25 were captured and the rest decamped.

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SPITEFUL FRENCH POLITICS. The Exposition Being Used for Attacks. The Authorities Cannot Please Unless They Resign their Offices--They Are Blamed for Everything but the Weather--No Opportunity for an Assault Missed.

N. S. LABOR TROUBLES. The City of Halifax is Having No Plumbing. Workmen of Sydney Discuss Organization--Addresses Made to Them by Prominent Citizens--Strike at Sydney Mines of Short Duration.

OTTAWA NEWS. The Canadian Exhibit Must Be Shown on Sunday. Senator Almon Yesterday Fainted in the Senate--A Large Deputation of Members of Parliament Have Asked Minister of Finance for a Bounty on Copper.

A MOTHER'S CRIME. Boston Police Find the Charred Remains of an Infant in a Trunk Just as Death Seals the Mother's Lips--An Inquest Will Be Held Today. A VERY SAD CASE.

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Ottawa, May 7--In the House today, Dr. Lewis introduced a bill respecting the Salisbury and Harvey Railway Company. Mr. McInerney called attention to regulations that had been published in regard to the lobster fisheries and claimed that if carried out would injure the fishermen. To set out 2,000 traps would take a fortnight and such a line of traps should be allowed to set out their traps before the season begins so as to have them ready when it did begin.

The Paris correspondent of the New York Herald, J. Cornely, cables an interesting account of an attack which is being made on the government of the French republic. He says: I am humiliated to describe in this weekly summary the most inept, most odious manoeuvres that were ever invented by an opposition against the exposition.

Halifax, May 7--The plumbers strike situation is unchanged since Saturday. The journeymen met this morning and it was announced there was no indication of the masters giving in. It was stated that the masters had a meeting on Saturday and decided to continue the fight. Two of the journeymen left today to take positions in Sydney, and two more expect to go to the same place.

Ottawa, May 7--(Special)--A cable has been received from Hon. J. I. Tarte, Canada's chief commissioner, in the exposition, announcing that the efforts to have our exhibits closed on Sundays had been futile. Those in charge will have to conform to the wishes of the Paris directors. Mr. Tarte is utilizing the services of Mr. Marchand, a Montreal architect, who happened to be in Paris, to beautify the Canadian buildings and add to their attractiveness.

Quincy, Mass., May 7--The body of Catherine Stanton is at the city hospital tonight. Her late home on Common street, in a trunk, are the charred fragments of an infant. The police assert that the doctor in their possession, having reason to believe that the young woman killed her offspring, and to hide her crime, tried to dispose of the body by firing the woman's trunk. It was the solving of a mystery over which the police had worked for several days, and it was only by accident that something definite was obtained just as death sealed the lips of the unfortunate woman.

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The inauguration took place without untoward incident, and the same journals profited by the fact that everything was not ready to declare that it was a swindle. The Dominion Coal Company's shipments for April amounted to \$5,770 tons. The strike at G. M. A. Sydney Mines is over. The drivers resumed work this morning, the matter in dispute having been amicably settled.

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Mr. James D. Patterson, who for several years has managed the Massey-Harris Company's business in the Maritime provinces, entertained the general agents and travellers of the company at dinner at the Victoria Hotel last evening. The occasion was announced by Mr. Patterson to announce his retirement from Massey-Harris Company's business. About a dozen guests sat down to a nicely arranged table and spent some time in a card game and a billiard game. A neat menu was presented to each of the guests as a souvenir of the occasion.

Henry Clews & Co.'s Review. New York, May 5--Labor troubles and gold exports have partially modified the confidence shown in the stock market during the past few weeks. It is useless to deny that the threatening attitude of labor is viewed with concern by both industrial and railroad managers. Wages in the lower grades of labor, where business has been exceptionally good, have in many instances been voluntarily advanced; and the new industrial combinations and the new general contractors have had to concede to their employees in the matter of wages. It is not forgotten, however, that these advances have been granted only temporarily, and will be expected to continue very much longer, and when they cease wages must decline.

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Our friends, the nationalists, seized on these reports, and the government, which had before they had accused of swindling, they now accuse of assassinating. This is a great deal more interesting we have had declamations on the fate of the poor dogs. Would they or would they not be allowed to enter the exposition? The public replied by crowding to the exposition, though only by 24 hours.

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Queen's Way. Gossip has it that pretty Queen Wilhelmina is by no means free from girlish feelings. Formerly she was too strictly controlled to be able to indulge her natural curiosity in her neighbors, but now she has a keen delight in hearing from her ladies in waiting all sorts of petty details of the lives and affairs of her courtiers and subjects. She has also, it is said, a very great interest in her pretty clothes, and spends a good deal of time daily in wondering what she will wear. During the hours she spends over her toilet she takes the ladies to retail to her all the gossip that they have been able to collect during the day.

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Three Rivers, Que., May 7--Early reports of the fire which occurred yesterday at Grand Falls grossly exaggerate amount of damage and loss. The fire at the Laurentide Paper and Pulp Mills did not extend beyond the Mechanical Pulp building and some minor structures. The new and very expensive works of the company were not injured. The fire will involve a stoppage in the manufacture of paper of about 12 days, and the loss is about \$80,000, mostly covered by insurance.

Yarmouth, May 7--Mrs. Porter Stoddart got up this morning, went down stairs and began cooking breakfast. While engaged at the stove she had a fainting spell and fell backward, striking her head on the table. She was at once picked up and it was discovered that her neck was broken and she had died instantly. She had only been married about two months.

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Steamer Springfield. Having been rebuilt under the supervision of the most practical government inspectors, will start on her regular route to St. John, N. B., on Saturday, at 12 o'clock, local time. The steamer is a fine vessel, and will give the most comfortable and safe passage to the interior of the province.

Mr. C. E. O'Reilly, railway mail clerk, has been transferred from the Albert railway to the St. John-Vancouver run. Mr. J. Kerr, recently appointed, takes the Albert run.

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REMODELING OLD JEWELRY. Uses to Which Old-fashioned Possessions May Now Be Put. There are waves of fashion as there are waves of reform. The practice recently common among fashionable women in New York, to wear no jewelry, or if any, that of the simplest kind, has been quite superseded says Harper's Bazar. At the moment they are not only wearing all the handsome jewelry they possess, but are calling upon their reserve collection of broken bits--earrings, loose stones, chains, etc.--and having them made over into additional ornaments. Those used for every wear are often most attractive. One piece seen recently was a collarette made of fine gold chains, originally an old watch chain, cut and arranged so as to form the top and bottom. The cross bands were narrow strips of gold to hold firmly the stones set here and there and which were yellow topaz and amethysts, which were taken from old earrings and pins. The pendants were hung from graduated pieces of the fine chain and were pierced pearls, which were the remains of an old necklace. The whole effect of this collarette was most unique and it can be worn over a high-necked gown as well as over a décolleté one.

There is so much jewelry worn now on evening gowns that one can use almost anything. A funny old-fashioned fingered gold bracelet, with carnelians, set here and there, can be utilized for making a charming shoulder strap. The stones, which originally hung all around the bracelet, suspended from fine gold chains, were taken off and put at the two ends of the fine chain and were pierced pearls, which were the remains of an old necklace. The whole effect of this collarette was most unique and it can be worn over a high-necked gown as well as over a décolleté one.

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