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CZAR NICHOLAS ELECTS TO CONTINUE WAR; REJECTS BRITISH-GERMAN PROPOSALS; IS IN GOOD SHAPE TO WHIP JAPANESE

Emperor Says to Stop Now Would Be Cowardly and Unfair to the People.

Believes That Kuropatkin Can Defeat Oyama and Will Battle to Bitter End.

Berlin, Feb. 23, 12:12 p.m. — The Emperor of Russia has elected to continue the war.

His position is absolutely firm, and the German court has been advised in that sense.

The war will be pressed with the utmost energy, the domestic situation being now within the control of the authorities.

Those who have advised peace and suggested inquiries for Japan's terms,

the French and British Governments, are for the present silent, and are likely to remain so, unless events of an extraordinary character shake the Russian Emperor's resolution. The considerations that led to the Emperor's decision, as understood here, are: First—The judgment of the chiefs of the army that Field Marshal Oyama not only cannot defeat Gen. Kuropatkin, but stands in danger of defeat himself. How cowardly, therefore, for Russia to ask for mercy with all the men and money essential to a successful war.

Second—All the forces of criticism now directed against the Government for having fought rather than yield to legitimate interests, and for having failed to win victories, would continue with added fury against the Government that accepted war, and then betrayed the country. A Government

that would crave peace of Russia's enemy, while still capable of winning victory, would be giving the party of change genuine grounds for a revolution.

The facts of the military situation, love of country and arguments of expediency were all against peace, and for pressing the war hopefully.

Frederikshaven, Denmark, Feb. 23.—The third Russian Pacific squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Nebogatoff, left Skagen Bay heading westward during the night.

Tokio, Feb. 23.—The Japanese Government expects to complete within a year her new fleet of torpedo boat destroyers. Each vessel will be of 380 tons displacement, and capable of making 29 knots an hour. The destroyers will each be equipped with two torpedo tubes, besides the usual armament. The ten torpedo boats recently completed are now being placed in commission.

BIG BATTLE ON BELOW MUKDEN

The Japs Active on Both Flanks and Have Again Raided Railroad.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—Although the city continues full of rumors that a big battle is proceeding below Mukden, the war office does not offer any confirmation of the reports. Special dispatches, however, as well as can be judged by the mutilated manner in which they were allowed to pass the censor, portend the imminence of extensive operations. The Japanese are showing activity on both flanks and the railroad has again been damaged by a raid of mixed Japanese and Chinese bandits. In diplomatic circles a story is afloat to the effect that the opinion expressed by German military authorities based on reports from military experts at the front that the situation by no means hopeless, has greatly influenced the Emperor and encouraged him against the idea of concluding peace.

Know Nothing of It.

London, Feb. 23.—Questioned in the House of Commons today regarding the version of the result of the inquiry of the North Sea commission published this morning Earl Percy (Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs), said that no information on the subject had yet been communicated to the Government.

Japs After Islands.

Port Louis, Mauritius, Feb. 23.—There is an unconfirmed rumor that Japanese agents are negotiating for the purchase or lease of certain islands near the Seychelles group for coaling stations.

Now Jap Loan.

Tokio, Feb. 23.—As a result of the conference with the bankers of Tokio, Yokohama, Osaka, Nagoya and Kyoto, the Government has practically determined upon a fourth domestic loan of 100,000,000 yen, to be issued at 96 per cent and payable in seven years. The formal announcement of the loan is expected soon.

An Invalid Ship.

Suez, Feb. 23.—The Russian torpedo boat destroyed Rogni arrived here today from the south, conveying the transport Malaya full of invalids. The Malaya entered the canal bound northward.

ROW AT ALLIANCE MEETING OVER PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mr. Marter Starts Uproar by Criticism of Late Government and Wants Deputation Sent Whitney.

SAYS CONSERVATIVE PLATFORM MAY MEAN ANYTHING

Toronto, Feb. 23.—There was a lively time at the opening session this morning of the convention of the Dominion Alliance, Mr. E. Fielding objected to certain remarks of the president, Mr. G. F. Marter, in his address, in which Mr. Marter attempted to account for the defeat of the Ross Government. There was a lot of uproar as the result, and Mr. Fielding withdrew the resolution of thanks to the president that he had moved. Mrs. Thornley then moved that the address be adopted and the uproar was renewed.

Finally Dr. Carman advised the convention to be calm. Mr. Fielding, he said, had a perfect right to be heard. Matters had been brought out in the president's address upon which there were grounds for difference of opinion, and which were put forth without mature consideration. On Dr. Carman's motion the resolution to adopt the resolution was withdrawn, and a resolution

of thanks to the president for his address substituted.

Mr. Marter in his address said that the planting of voters' leagues had not proven a success. Temperance men should not be partisans. He was glad of a change of Government, so that the opposite side might have a chance to show what they could do. If Mr. Ross had carried out what he had fore-shadowed in his letter to Rev. J. A. Rankin, he would have had his (Mr. Marter's) support, and the speaker believed the response would have been general to retain him. The Conservative platform could be made to mean anything. It could be made to include the alliance platform. A deputation should go to Mr. Whitney and ask for legislation in this direction. If the Conservative party supported temperance reform it might enjoy a long tenure of office. The speaker expected to see the abolition of the bar within the next four years.

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QUEBEC CABINET CRISIS ENDED

Liberal Ministers and Leaders Patch Up Differences in the Quebec House.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 23.—A conference of Liberal ministers and leaders of the Parliament in the Provincial House was held here today, as the result of which the ministerial crisis is at an end. Arrangements have been made by which Mr. Gouin will propose a speaker, who will be supported by Premier Parent, and the ministers who resigned eventually will return to the Government. Mr. Parent was not at today's meeting.

THREW THEM OVERBOARD

Mysterious Disappearance of French and German Attacks Explained.

Che Foo, Feb. 21.—The two Chinamen arrested here on the charge of being concerned in the mysterious disappearance of Capt. Von Gilgenheim and Lieut. de Cuverville, respectively, the German and French naval attaches at Port Arthur, have given the following details of the affair: "The attaches and one Russian civilian embarked on a junk manned by five Chinese from Laotaisshan. Fearing an approaching storm, the Chinese insisted on returning to Pigeon Bay, and the passengers attempted to force the Chinese to continue the voyage. In a fight which followed the foreigners were thrown overboard. Fearing to return, the Chinese on the junk went to Liaochowfo, north of Che Foo." The junkmen were identified by refugees who hired the junk for the attaches at Port Arthur. The arrest of the three other Chinese implicated in the affair is impending.

Royal Templars Elect.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—The Royal Templars of the Province of Ontario elected officers as follows: Grand councillor, W. J. Armstrong; Toronto Junction, grand vice-president, Mrs. F. W. Watt; Clinton, grand chaplain, Rev. H. P. Houck; Bloomfield, grand secretary, W. M. McMillan; Hamilton, grand herald, N. L. Brandon; Wingham.

The proposal to remove the head offices from Hamilton to Toronto was discussed and referred to the executive.

POPE TO TAKE HOLIDAY

Will Visit Long Disused Summer Residence of Pontiffs.

Rome, Feb. 23.—The Pope has expressed his determination to go to the Castle of Gandolfo, a village on the northwest side of Mount Albano, 14 miles southeast of Rome, for a few weeks, when the summer season begins. The Pope's health absolutely requires a change of air and scene. The Castle of Gandolfo, among numerous other villas, contains the summer residence of the popes, which has not been used as such since Pius IX. shut himself up in the Vatican as a protest against the deprivation of his temporal powers and the occupation of Rome by the Italian troops in 1870.

Tucker's Successor.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—James T. Burns, of Manitowaning district of Manitoulin, has been appointed clerk of the third division court, vice W. J. Tucker, resigned. Mr. Tucker was the Liberal candidate against Mr. R. R. Gurney in the recent general elections.

SEED DISTRIBUTION

Applications for Samples Pour in at Rate of 600 a Day.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Dr. William Saunders, director of the Central Experimental Farm, was before the agricultural committee again today. The doctor gave a statement of the distribution by his department of seed grain to farmers. To date 11,644 five or four pound samples have been distributed, and the applications continue to pour in at the rate of 600 per day. The Northwest Territories rank third in the list, being next to Ontario and Quebec. Among the applicants for samples are many Gaiicans, Russians, Doukhobors and other settlers of foreign origin. They get their English-speaking neighbors to write for them.

HORSES FOR THE ARMY

British Agent at Toronto to Purchase 500 Animals.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—W. S. Stacy Spark, of Canterbury, England, is in Toronto to the agent of the British Government to arrange for the purchase of 500 horses for use in the British army. Three hundred of the animals will be for light infantry, of the type used at Stanley Barracks, and the remaining 200 will be heavier, for the artillery branch of the service. Mr. Spark expresses the opinion that it would be advisable for the Provincial Government to establish regular depots. In the event of war Great Britain would require 10,000 horses at once, and the establishment of such depots would enable it to locate that number quickly.

COL. PINAULT WEDDED

Deputy Minister of Militia Married to an Ottawa Belle.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Col. L. G. Pinault, C. M. G., deputy minister of militia and defense, was married this afternoon in the Sacred Heart Church, his bride being Miss Marie Louise Lambert, one of Sandy Hill's most popular belles. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Valiquette, and was very quiet, there being no bridesmaid. Hon. Senator Fleck, of Rimouski, stood sponsor for the groom, Col. and Mrs. Pinault left for Halifax and will embark for Europe to visit London, Paris and other cities.

The Ottawa Count.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The official declaration for Wright county was made today. Devlin, Liberal, has 172 majority. The Conservatives are: Devlin 185, McDougall (Con.) 165, Cousineau (Ind.), 165. Cousineau loses his deposit.

Church and Monastery Toll the Bells Over Remains of Grand Duke Sergius

Solemn Ceremonies Held in Moscow, St. Petersburg and at London.

Moscow, Feb. 23.—The solemn ceremony of blessing the remains of Grand Duke Sergius was performed at 10 o'clock today in the midst of the tolling of bells from all the churches and monasteries of the ancient capital. Immense crowds thronged the open squares in front of the palace, and there was a considerable display of troops in the streets.

Grenadiers of the Kieff Regiment, furnished the guard at the Chaudoff Monastery, which was the scene of the funeral services.

A Cabinet Meeting.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—A meeting of the cabinet will be held this afternoon, but owing to the absence of the members from town the date of the calling of the Legislature will not be decided upon. The Premier has not yet heard from the several temperance bodies who propose to wait upon him to press their views.

Game for New Zealand.

San Francisco, Feb. 23.—The mail steamer Ventura, sailing today for Sydney, N. S. W., carries a large number of deer, geese, and ducks. They were purchased in this country by the New Zealand Government, which has appropriated \$25,000 for stocking the country with different kinds of game.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Colder.

London, Thursday, Feb. 23. Sun rises, 7:35 a.m. Moon rises, 10:53 p.m. Sun sets, 5:58 p.m. Moon sets, 1:23 a.m.

Mild weather has prevailed throughout Canada, except from Eastern Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, where it has been moderately cold. Unseasonably high temperatures are reported from Southern Alberta and Western Assiniboia.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 28 below—10 below; Fort Simpson, 38—45; Victoria, 4—22; Kamloops, 38—54; Calgary, 24—50; Qu'Appelle, 16—40; Winnipeg, 20—37; Pelly Sound, 20—32; Toronto, 28—41; Ottawa, 18—18; Montreal, 4—16; Quebec, 2—12; St. John, 2—20; Halifax, 4—20.

FORECASTS.

Thursday, Feb. 23—8 a.m. Today—Light winds and cloudy. Friday—Easterly winds; cloudy, with temperature a little below freezing.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather. Calgary..... 24 12 Fair Winnipeg..... 16 12 Fair Pelly Sound..... 20 32 Snow Toronto..... 28 41 Snow Ottawa..... 18 18 Cloudy Montreal..... 16 13 Fair Quebec..... 2 12 Clear Father Point..... 8 4 Cloudy

Another severe storm has developed near the Atlantic coast, and gales, with snow, again prevail in the Maritime Provinces. The snow is falling in the Northwest Territories and Western Ontario, and considerably colder in Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Wednesday were: Highest, 34°; lowest, 32° above.

FROM CANADA'S FARTHEST NORTH

Police in Arctic Circle Send Interesting Report.

YANKEE WHALERS OBEY LAW

Dominion's Representative Fighting the Liquor Traffic With Natives on Herschel Island.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The mounted police department has received advice from the police stationed at the mouth of the McKenzie River at Herschel Island, Arctic Ocean, reporting conditions there up to the end of November last.

This information traveled 1,000 miles by dog sled within the Arctic circle, 1,000 miles by water, 3,000 miles by rail, in all 5,000 miles. In covering the entire distance a little over two months was taken. The report says that whaling vessels had a good season. Three were there to winter at Herschel Island, the others going east and west of that point. All were respecting the Canadian customs and other laws. The most serious offenses which have come under the notice of the police were in connection with the traffic in liquor between the crews of the whaling ships and the natives. The captains of the boats, with one or two exceptions, have shown every possible desire to assist the police in suppression of this traffic and those who are not so inclined are finding it so risky that there is every reason to hope that in future years very little liquor will be taken up by the whaling vessels.

Mess of Quail Costs \$30,000.

Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 23.—Just as Herman Beck, a wealthy farmer, was heading several boxes containing 3,000 quail at the station at Elk Point, S. D., State Game Warden James Holiday appeared. Beck fled, leaving his contraband quail behind. An officer was sent after the fugitive. The fine for the quail was \$10 a bird, making the total amount assessed against Beck \$30,000, which the game warden says Beck will have to pay.

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So far as the public was concerned nothing could be seen beyond the carriages of those invited to the funeral, who quickly filled the small available space.

After the blessing of the body it was conveyed to the adjoining church of St. Andrew, where it was laid on a catafalque. The coffin was concealed by a mass of floral wreaths and crosses. The officials of the grand duke's household and his aides-de-camp formed a circle around the bier, while the regiments of the Moscow garrison furnished contingents for the guard of honor.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—A requiem mass for the repose of the soul of the Grand Duke Sergius was celebrated at Tsarkoe-Selo today in the presence of

FREIGHT RATES DISCRIMINATION

Chairman of the Commons Committee Says No Difficulty to Prove It.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Feb. 23.—Mr. Gordon (East Kent), chairman of the sub-committee on railway rates, reported that the different tariffs had not all been collected yet, but sufficient were at hand to convince him there would be no difficulty in proving discrimination by the railways. The committee passed a resolution authorizing the sub-committee to employ an expert on tariffs to assist in preparing a report.

Harper's Condition.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—President William T. Harper, of the University of Chicago, passed a comfortable night at the Presbyterian Hospital, following yesterday's surgical operation for cancer. His condition today, according to the physicians, was favorable.

Switchboard Exploded.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Feb. 23.—An explosion in No. 1 switchboard of a Niagara Falls Power Company's No. 1 plant today caused considerable damage and injured three electricians, who were at the board at the time. Roy Robinson and Frank Conroy were seriously burned about the body, while John Conroy was burned about the hands and face. The damage to the power-house cannot be estimated at this time. The transmission of electrical power to Buffalo was partially interrupted for a short time.

Hotel Guests in Peril.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 23.—Eighty guests at the Hotel Penn had a narrow escape early today from a fire which originated in the clothes closets used by the bellboys on the first floor. When the closet door was opened the flames communicated with the telephone booth, and then shot up the elevator shaft. The guests were aroused and most of them reached the street in safety. Several were taken from the third-story windows unconscious, but soon recovered. The building was damaged to the extent of nearly fifty thousand dollars.

Russians the Victors In the North Sea Case?



ADMIRAL FOURNIER,
President of the North Sea Commission, which is believed to have found against Great Britain.

IRVING CANCELS TOUR

Has Been Ordered Not to Act for at Least Two Months.

London, Feb. 23.—Sir Henry Irving, who recently had a severe chill at Wolverhampton, has suffered a slight relapse and has canceled the remainder of his provincial tour. His physicians have ordered him not to act for at least two months.

MR. ROSS OFF FOR SOUTH

Leaves for Jamaica and Will Be Absent Five or Six Weeks.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—Hon. George W. Ross, accompanied by Mrs. Ross, left Toronto last evening for Jamaica, via Buffalo and Baltimore. A number of prominent Liberals were at Union Station to see him off. He will be away five or six weeks, it is stated, and it is consequently unlikely that he will be in the Legislature for the first few weeks of the session, the date of the opening of which will be announced after the cabinet meeting today.

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Emperor Nicholas, the imperial family and the foreign ambassadors. A similar service at St. Isaac's Cathedral here was attended by persons prominent in society, Government officials and military and naval officers. The general public was not admitted. Both services passed off without incident.

Service in London.

London, Feb. 23.—A memorial service for Grand Duke Sergius was held today at the Russian Church connected with the embassy and was attended by Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador to Great Britain, and the other members of the Russian embassy; representatives of King Edward and the Prince of Wales; Ambassadors Choate and other diplomats; Sir Bernard Eric Barrington, private secretary of Lord Lansdowne, the Foreign Secretary, represented the foreign office.

What the Press Thinks.

London, Feb. 23.—Commenting on the dispatch from Paris giving what is stated to be the report of the North Sea commission, the Daily Mail goes so far as to declare that the decision has dealt a death-blow to arbitration. Some of the newspapers blame the Government strongly for ever consenting to subject such a matter to arbitration, while some of the Government organs find comfort in the fact that the country by doing so avoided war with Russia. No question is raised that the decision must be respected, and Great Britain's share of the heavy costs will be fully paid; but it is considered that the decision leaves the question of a neutral right on the high sea in a deplorably unsatisfactory state, and creates a dangerous precedent.

Wallace Leaves \$500,000.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 23.—General Lew Wallace's will has been admitted to probate. It was executed Nov. 10, 1884, and bequeaths to his widow, Susan E. Wallace, and her heirs, without restriction, the estate in its entirety. The estate is supposed to be worth over a half million.

Employees at Trail, B. C., Oppose Eight-Hour Bill

Trail, B. C., Feb. 23.—A large mass meeting was held in the opera house here last night. Mayor Schofield presiding. For the purpose of discussing the eight hour smelter day bill. About 300 were in attendance, consisting of employees of the smelters and business men of Trail. The merits of the bill were thoroughly discussed, and the question was voted on by secret ballot, resulting in 39 for the eight hour law and 153 against.

The following resolution was carried unanimously, as it was felt that the passage of the bill would add a burden to the mining and smelting of the low grade ores of this district which it would be impossible for them to sustain. Whereas, a bill has been introduced in the Provincial Legislature, providing for a maximum eight hour in smelters, which bill, if passed, will, in our opinion, have the effect of disturbing the existing pleasant relations between smelter employees here and the smelter management, and result, either in a corresponding reduction in wages, or else in large labor disputes and the closing of mines and smelters for the purpose of management, and great financial loss to ourselves and the community generally, therefore, be it resolved, that we the business men of Trail and employees of the Canadian Smelting Works, in mass meeting assembled, do petition the Government to avoid any legislation which may have the effect of bringing on these conditions.

Rojevsky Justified in Attack on Trawlers.

Commission to Make an Official Statement Saturday.

London Press Says If True Decision Will Be Blow to International Arbitration.

Paris, Feb. 23.—A semi-official statement appeared tonight relative to the work of the international commission which has been considering the North Sea incident. It is as follows: "The full commission met today in the ministry of foreign affairs, and again this afternoon, in order to proceed to an examination of the report and recapitulating its conclusions. The report is rather long, comprising about ten large pages. The principal author is Admiral Von Spaun (Austrian), but all the members of the commission collaborated in drawing it up.

"The commission gives no opinion on the question of the presence or absence of Japanese torpedo boats in the North Sea, declaring merely that the Russian admiral quite legitimately believed that his squadron was endangered, and that he had the right under the circumstances to act as he did. The commissioners refer to the Russian Government's engagements to indemnify the victims of the deplorable incident.

"The report will be sent tomorrow by special messengers to the Russian and British Governments, not because it is liable to modifications at the instance of one or other of the Governments, the commission's decision being without appeal, but the commissioners do not wish the powers interested to simply learn through the press of the last public action and the conditions arrived at. There is nothing in this preliminary communication, or report except an act of deference.

"The public sitting for the reading of the conclusions will probably be held on Saturday. The admirals will not be in full uniform. The proceedings probably will be closed by a speech of thanks by Admiral Fournier (the president of the commission), to his colleagues. Members of the commission who were seen tonight refused either to confirm or deny the statement; but officials having favorable opportunity to judge of the results of the inquiry consider the report to be substantially correct.

London, Feb. 23.—A strong chord of indignation is sounded by the London daily newspapers this morning over the semi-official statement relative to the decision of the North Sea commission giving to Russia the victory, but it still is hoped that the publication of the full text of the commission's report may modify the impression created by the preliminary version, which is one of intense disappointment.

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The Morning Post says: "A new stigma of international law is thus established, under which the commander of a belligerent fleet may attack and destroy neutral unarmed vessels without any other plea than that he conceived his ship might be in danger. This doctrine is so monstrous and inconceivable that we can only regret that the official report will give a different reading."

Just before Parliament arose last night, replying to the question whether any precaution had been taken for fishing fleet on the Doggerbank during the passage of the third Russian Pacific Squadron had been taken, Premier Balfour said that his majesty's Government placed implicit reliance on Russian assurances that they had taken every precaution to guard against the recurrence of any such incident, and that special instructions had been issued to the whole Russian fleet with this object in view.

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BRANCHES: TORONTO WINNIPEG.

HARPER HAS CANCER

Operation on President Reveals the Presence of Dread Disease.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—While at the University of Chicago, hundreds of students were assembled to participate in prayers for his recovery, Dr. William R. Harper, president of the institution, today underwent a serious surgical operation in the Presbyterian Hospital.

It was generally thought by the physicians that the operation would reveal a cancerous condition of the intestines near the head of the colon. This diagnosis was confirmed. The operation was a surgical stand-point, was a success. The patient rallied splendidly from the shock, and is tonight in a condition that gives every promise of an early recovery from the effects of the operation. The ultimate recovery of Dr. Harper is a matter on which the physicians decline to commit themselves, but merely express "the reasonable hope that the disease may be checked."

OPPOSES COMPENSATION

Rev. Dr. Chown Issues a Manifesto on the Subject.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Rev. Dr. Chown has issued an official manifesto, as temperance secretary to the Methodists of Ontario, upon the agitation of the license-holders for compensation in the case of the abolition of barrooms under the local option law. Dr. Chown, in part, says: "If any municipality or province or the Dominion, chooses to go out of the business of selling licenses, they have a perfect right to do so without being held up by a number of men whose business, however legal it may be, is not a legitimate business for any honorable man to be engaged in. It would seem as if the moral fiber of the license-holders of this country had rotted by reason of the special favors which have been accorded to them by the state, just as the character of our Indians has deteriorated through being wards of the Government."

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STEAMERS ARRIVED

Feb. 22.—At New York—Manitow, from London; Laurentian, from Glasgow; Prince Albert, from Genoa; Bovic, from Liverpool; United States, from Copenhagen.

At Mobile—Ethiopia, from New York; At Liverpool—Lake Manitoba, from St. John; Oceania, from New York; At Queenstown—Saxonia, from Boston; At Philadelphia—Haverford, from Liverpool.

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The Post-Graduate Hospital of New York reports that more than forty cases of consumption were cured by that institution alone during the year 1904. Many of these cases were treated at the homes of the patients. This proves conclusively that consumption can be cured and cured at home. Not every one can go to Colorado or spend weeks or months in a hospital, neither of which is necessary, but everybody can get Scott's Emulsion, and that is necessary. It has been proved that pure, fresh air, light exercise, nourishing food and

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NEW TRIAL FOR JAMES KENNEDY

The Irene Cole Murder Case, of Brantford, To Be Reopened Again.

Brantford, Feb. 22.—James Kennedy, who less than a year ago was tried and acquitted of the charge of killing little Irene Cole, is once more on trial in connection with the death of the girl. The charge at present against him is that of defiling a child under 14 years of age. This morning he was before Police Magistrate Woodruff, where he entered a plea of not guilty. The prisoner said he did not desire a lawyer, though he wanted immediate trial. The crown counsel, who is said to have fresh evidence, was not ready with his side of the argument, and the case was adjourned till Friday.

The accused was arrested in Toronto some weeks ago, found guilty of a charge of indecent assault and sentenced to two years, but at the request of the Brantford authorities was sent here to face a fresh trial. It will be recalled that Kennedy was acquitted of murdering the Cole child largely on the evidence of a man who was subsequently convicted of perjury.

TOPICS OF TALK IN THAMESFORD

Presbyterians' Successful Tea Meeting—A Newspaper Man's Wedding.

Thamesford, Feb. 22.—The tea-meeting and entertainment given in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday night was, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, a fair success, and had it not been for the almost impassable state of the roads, the event of 1905 would no doubt have been a banner one. The musical part of the programme was supplied by the choir of St. Paul's Church, Ingersoll, consisting of 25 voices, under the leadership of Miss E. Brook. The choruses were exceptionally well rendered and were heartily applauded, while the solos by Miss Pickard, strongly indorsed her ability as a singer. The Rev. Mr. Rollins, of London, gave an excellent address on "Life," closing his address with a short reading entitled "Success." The Rev. Mr. Freeman made a short but appropriate address. A vote of thanks was tendered those taking part in the evening's programme, and also to the ladies who had so ably assisted in making the tea-meeting a success. The entertainment was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

N. C. McCarty & Son are having a clearing sale which will last a couple of weeks.

Word has been received of the marriage of Miss Mary Alfretta Cook, of Thorold, to Mr. John G. Hastings, lately editor and manager of the *Star*, which took place on Thursday, Feb. 9. Mr. and Mrs. Hastings left on Tuesday for Edmonton, where Mr. Hastings has secured a good situation with the *Journal*, one of the leading newspapers of the west. We join in congratulating the happy couple, and in wishing them a long life of health, happiness and prosperity.

Communion services will be held in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning. Preparatory services on Friday night and Saturday afternoon will be conducted by Rev. John Thompson, of Ayr.

Mr. Hugh Kerr had a bee on Monday drawing brick from the station. He intends to erect a house during the summer.

Mr. Armstrong, who was operated on for appendicitis in the London hospital last week, is doing as well as can be expected.

The local Masonic Lodge will hold their annual At Home tonight. The London Harpers will provide the music and an enjoyable time is expected.

Mrs. A. J. McTaggart, who has been undergoing treatment in the London hospital for several weeks, came home on Friday much improved in health.

Dr. Spence is visiting London friends.

A number of the friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Vining assembled at their home on Wednesday evening to spend a pleasant evening with them and bid them good-bye prior to their leaving their farm. A pleasant feature of the evening's entertainment was the presentation of a beautiful chair and lamp to the worthy host and hostess. Several present spoke in kindly terms of Mr. and Mrs. Vining and their estimable family, expressing regret at their removal. Mr. Vining has purchased the mill property at Lakeside and will move there in a few days.

Mr. John Gunn hired a very successful sale of his farm stock and implements yesterday. Prices were high and the bidding was brisk.

owing to the unfavorable weather on Friday night the Young Bachelors' Club did not hold their hop.

Mr. M. Cooper has just completed a fine basket wagon for the firm of McIntyre & Co., Ingersoll. It is perhaps the finest piece of work of its kind that has ever been built in Thamesford, and reflects great credit on those who took part in its construction. Mr. Cooper is an up-to-date carriage builder, and is able to place before his customers the very newest and best articles which first-class material and skilled workmanship can produce.

Rev. T. A. Watson exchanged pulpits with the Rev. Mr. McDiarmid, of Fingal on Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. Hartwell McCarty, of Ingersoll, was a visitor in the village yesterday. The road from London to the west has been almost impassable, and are yet in poor condition. Some of those who drove to London on Saturday, the United States, the Governor's road in such an unfavorable state for traffic.

Mrs. Eckardt, who lost a beautiful sable ruff on the Governor's road last week, had it returned to her yesterday. She was much pleased to get it.

Boot and Shoe League.

New York, Feb. 22.—Nearly every shoe manufacturing center of the east and middle west was represented today at a meeting held here for the purpose of organizing the National Association of Boot and Shoe Manufacturers of the United States. Several previous attempts to form such an organization have failed, but the opinion was expressed at today's meeting that the obstacles in the way would be overcome.

MEXICANS CRUSH THE YAQUI BANDS

Corner Them in the Mountains, Kill Forty and Take Many Prisoners.

La Colorado, Mexico, Feb. 23.—The Mexican force, under Gen. Luis Torres, numbering 400, have killed 40 Yaquis and taken 167 prisoners in a two days' battle with the savages in the mountains east of this camp. When the fight ended Gen. Torres returned to La Colorado reporting considerable losses. It is said there were 300 warriors in the band surrounded by Torres in the Mazatlan Mountains. About 100 of those broke through the Mexican lines and escaped, but the main force was hurled into a detachment commanded by Capt. Luis Barron, an old Yaqui fighter, who was guarding one of the mountain passes. He held the savages in check until the arrival of reinforcements, when they were driven back with heavy loss, and finally surrounded by the Mexican onslaught had been preceded by two days of skirmishing. The troops were worn out, the rains had set in, and Torres decided to withdraw to La Colorado with his prisoners, abandoning the pursuit of those who had escaped. He left garrisons at all the small towns and ranches which had been abandoned, and expects to return to the same district if the few Yaquis who escape continue to cause trouble. The expedition from which Gen. Torres and his force has just returned was brought about by the murder of four Americans near La Colorado some weeks ago.

CANADIANS HELD AS PRISONERS

Uruguayan Govt. Accused Them of Poaching and Seized Their Ship.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—It came out in the House today that a number of Canadians were held as prisoners by the Government of Uruguay on a charge of seal poaching. The prisoners, who are natives of Nova Scotia, sailed on the Agnes Donahue from Halifax last autumn, their intention being to round Cape Horn and proceed to the sealing grounds of the North Pacific. En route the vessel captured seals in the South Sea and was taken to the port of Montevideo, where, since Nov. 11, the captain and crew of nineteen men have been detained as prisoners on board the vessel. There was no charge proved against them, although there had been a sort of trial before the supreme court of Uruguay. Mr. McKenzie (Cape Breton) observed that as an international question, this might seem a small matter, but it was a serious affair for the parties concerned, and he hoped the Government would see that the justice was done and on shares. The crew should be considered, as the vessel was not seized and taken to the port of Montevideo. The charge alleged against them was poaching seals, but there were no laws in Uruguay on the subject of sealing.

Mr. Prefontaine said that while the subject was a new one to the House, it was not new to the department. About a month ago complaint of the illegal seizure was received, and the department at once communicated with the home Government with the result that after the exchange of one or two cables the men had been released. The Government of Uruguay insisted on keeping the captain a prisoner while a new law was being prepared to meet the case.

Further representations had since been made to the home Government, but to these no reply had yet been received. The British consul in Montevideo, the minister said, was doing his best for the victims, but it was one of those peculiar cases which would not be dealt with by these South American republics. Everything possible was being done, however, to secure justice for the Canadians concerned in it.

SCHOOL PETITIONS

Several, as to Northwest Education, Presented to the Government.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—At the opening of the House today a couple of petitions bearing upon separate schools in the new provinces of the Northwest were presented to the speaker after a routine and presented the petition of T. G. Wallace and others, of Center, York, "praying that in the bill for the Northwest Territories no enactment or other restrictions should be placed upon the new provinces which will interfere with their freedom to control the question of education, and the establishment and maintenance of separate schools." Dr. Sproule also presented a petition to the same effect from E. T. Hicks, of Calgary, and others.

MATADOR ON BULL'S HORNS

Chico, the Daredevil, Meets With a Mishap in the Ring.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 22.—Before a large crowd of American tourists gathered yesterday to witness a bullfight, presided over by Felix Roberts, the only living French matador, held at the Juarez ring, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Rafael Ariza, known in the arena of the Spanish and Mexican national sport as "Joarano Chico, the starred," was scored by an infuriated bull and will have to retire from the arena for life.

Chico was brought from Madrid for the great fight at Juarez, and was regarded as one of the best matadors in the ring. The bulls for the fight were from the ranch of Don Luis Terrazas, the governor of Chihuahua. Felix Roberts himself dispatched two of the animals, and then amid the applause of the crowd stepped forward, tipped his cap, tested his thin rapier, waved the red flag and went directly at the bull. There were cheers that shook the amphitheater, for he had been heralded as Spain's most famous matador.

As Chico made the death lunge at the beast the animal quickly changed footing and caught Chico on his horns and shook him and then rushed about the arena with the matador hanging from his horns. Chico was finally thrown against an adobe wall.

Only quick work on the part of the guards prevented a panic. Many of the American tourists went away sickened. Chico will never fight again.



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COSSACKS IN TIGHT PLACE

Chinaman Saves Them When Surrounded by the Enemy.

Mukden, Feb. 22.—A company of Cossacks which has returned from a long and perilous reconnaissance toward Korea, penetrated by mountain paths as far as Hagoumin, 18 miles northwest of the Yalu River, where they burned a large depot of Japanese provisions. Turning south the Russians captured a transport of supplies, of which the small command was in great need. During the course of the night Japanese surrounded the command on three sides, when the position of the Russians was desperate, but a Chinese guide discovered a mountain pass by which they escaped to Khualden Mountain, 100 miles due north of the mouth of the Yalu River, from whence they rejoined the army by way of trails little known.

The news of General Gripenberg's attack on General Kuropatkin has caused great indignation at Russian headquarters here, and in army circles. General Gripenberg's departure was a surprise, as he had received no orders from General Kuropatkin to quit his post. He left Manchuria unceremoniously, without taking leave of the commander-in-chief. Even General Gripenberg's friends say that the present is not a fit time for venting personal feelings, when the army must bend all its energies in the effort to secure victory.

Strathcona's Illness.

London, Feb. 22.—Lord Strathcona is still confined to his room, and his physicians forbid him to transact any business whatever, but they are very satisfied with his progress.

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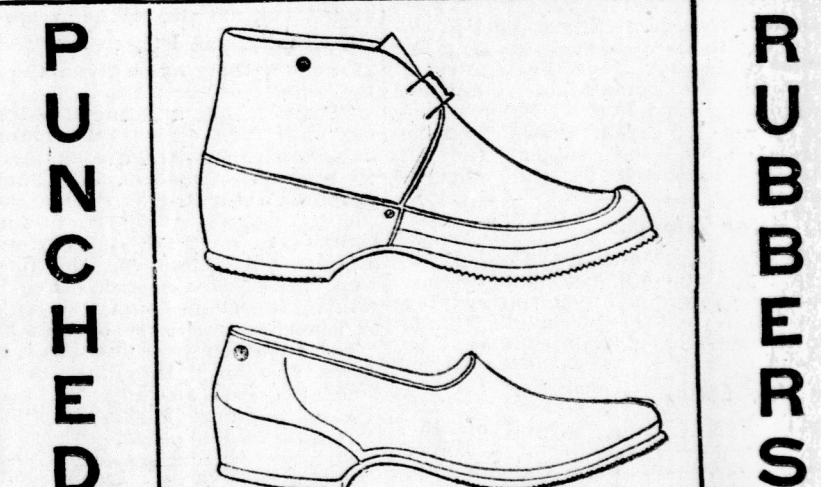
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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

DEATHS.
STRATHDEE—On Tuesday evening, Feb.
21, 1905, at the residence of her daughter,
Mrs. J. L. Coutts, St. Thomas, Agnes,
wife of George Strathdee, of Dorchester
Shire, in her 74th year.
Funeral will be held from the resi-
dence of her son, James Strathdee,
North Dorchester, on Friday afternoon,
24th inst., at 2 o'clock, to the family
burying ground, Dorchester Station.

SINCLAIR—In Lobo, on Feb. 21, 1905,
Christina, beloved wife of Duncan
Sinclair.
Funeral from the family residence on
Friday at 1:30 p.m., to Poplar Hill
Cemetery.

HOBBS—In this city, on Feb. 22, 1905,
Thomas P. Hobbs, aged 54 years and 5
months.

Funeral from his late residence, 147
Emery street, South London, on Sunday,
Feb. 25, at 2:30 p.m., services at 2 o'clock.
Friends and acquaintances please accept
this intimation.

McNAUGHTON—On Wednesday, Feb. 22,
1905, at 2 o'clock, Christina McNaughton,
widow of the late William McNaughton,
in her 68th year.

Funeral from her daughter's (Mrs.
James Gillespie) residence, 248 Oxford
street, on Friday, at 2 o'clock, to Car-
michael's Cemetery; services at 1:30
o'clock. Friends and acquaintances
please accept this intimation.

CORSAUT—At his home, con. 10, London
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Corsaut, aged 63 years, 4 months and
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LONDON, THURSDAY, FEB. 23.

The Cost of Northwest Autonomy.

The annual payments by the Dominion Government to the new Province of Alberta will fall under four heads:

1. Subsidy for civil government.
2. A capitation grant.
3. A debt allowance.
4. Compensation for lands.

The first item is fixed at \$50,000 per annum for all time, the money being applied to the cost of civil government. By the terms of Confederation, New Brunswick receives for this purpose \$50,000 per year, Quebec \$70,000, Nova Scotia \$60,000, and Ontario \$80,000.

The capitation grant will be 80 cents per head until the population reaches 500,000, when the amount becomes stationary. In this respect the Territories receive exceptionally liberal treatment. The grant to Ontario and Quebec has been absolutely stationary, being 80 cents per head of the population as ascertained by the census of 1861. Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba and British Columbia receive the same allowance per head of population only up to 400,000. The maximum has been raised to 800,000 in the case of the new provinces in the expectation that they will show a more rapid growth than the others, with a corresponding increase of expenditure.

The third item, the allowance for debt, is the result of elaborate calculation. When Confederation was established, the Dominion assumed the debts of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia to the extent of about \$82,000,000, or \$34 3/4 per head. The Province of Alberta enters Confederation without debt and gets credit for this from the Dominion Government. The present population is estimated at 250,000, and if the Province were indebted as heavily as the old provinces at Confederation—\$34 3/4 per head—its liability would amount to \$8,625,000. Accordingly the Federal Government will allow Alberta 5 per cent on this sum for all time, which will yield \$406,250 per annum.

The compensation for lands will be greater in the long run than the debt allowance. The Dominion Government intends to retain control of the public lands, the area of which in Alberta is estimated at 25,000,000 acres, but will indemnify the new Province by an annual cash grant. The present value of these lands is placed at \$1 50 per acre and the Federal Government will pay the new Province 1 per cent of the value, or \$750,000, until the population reaches 400,000. Thereafter, until the population reaches 800,000, the sum payable will be 1 1/2 per cent, or \$600,000. Thereafter, until the population reaches 1,200,000, the sum payable will be 2 per cent, or \$750,000. If the population ever exceeds 1,200,000, the Province will receive 3 per cent, or \$1,125,000.

In the above we have mentioned only the Province of Alberta for the sake of convenience, but what has been said about Alberta applies equally to the sister province of Saskatchewan. It is estimated that the two provinces have an equal population, an equal area and an equal acreage of public land. Consequently they will receive the same financial treatment. Each of them will begin provincial housekeeping with these allowances:

Subsidy, civil government\$ 50,000
Grant per capita 200,000
Debt allowance 406,250
Land indemnity 375,000
\$1,031,250

In addition to this the Federal Government will give each of them a gratuity of \$2,500 per year for five years, to provide for buildings and public works which their new provincial status will necessitate. The per capita grant and the land compensation will increase pro rata with the population. When either Province can boast 1,200,000 souls, it will have reached the maximum of Federal allowance—considerably over \$5,000,000 per year. The new provinces will also have wide powers of taxation, as have the old provinces, and may supplement their revenue from the same sources, with two exceptions. These exceptions are public lands, which remain vested in the Dominion Government, and the Canadian Pacific Railway, which is exempted from taxation for all time by a deplorable provision which Parliament assented to in 1881, against the protest of the Liberal party. As the Province of Ontario receives only \$1,300,000 per annum from the Dominion Government, it must be admitted that the new provinces have received generous consideration, even though they will not control their public lands.

Plight of the Balfour Government

The Balfour Government is being hard pressed. Its normal majority was much reduced on Tuesday in a division on the Irish question, and yesterday was nearly overturned by a strategic movement of the Nationalist party.

The storm rages around Mr. George Wyndham, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, who has placed the Government in a curious dilemma. Mr. Wyndham distinguished himself by his management of the Irish land act and won the favor of the Nationalists, who came to regard him as a sincere friend of Ireland, willing to go further than his party in Irish legislation. Mr. Wyndham's present troubles began with the appointment of Sir Antony MacDonnell as under secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Sir Antony is 66 years of age, an Irishman, who entered the civil service of India in his

years ago, filling very high administrative posts to the great satisfaction of the natives of India and the British and Indian Governments. He is said to be much liked by the King, who is credited with suggesting his transfer to Ireland two years ago. It was the current opinion that, as an Irishman, sympathizing with his own people, he would exercise a moderating influence and make a special study of Irish problems for the guidance of the Administration.

The scene shifted to the recent conference of Irish landlords, initiated by Lord Dunraven, at which a resolution was passed urging the British Government to consider a scheme whereby the administration of Irish finances would be delegated to an Irish council, semi-oppositional and semi-elective. The subscribers to this resolution were not home rulers, but described their plan as a "devolution of power." When it became known that Sir Antony MacDonnell had been working hand in hand with Lord Dunraven and his fellow-landlords, thus giving the conference an official status, there was a tremendous outcry from the extreme Irish Unionists, and the Government hastened to repudiate Sir Antony MacDonnell's policy. It was then discovered that Sir Antony had acted with the cognizance and authority of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, the Earl of Dudley, and of Mr. Wyndham, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, a member of the cabinet, in the House of Commons yesterday. Mr. Wyndham was obliged to read the correspondence between Sir Antony and himself and the Associated Press report says that it showed Sir Antony had been given "extraordinary powers and authorized to arrange for co-ordination in the control and direction of boards and administrative agencies." Mr. Wyndham's defense is that he misapprehended the scope and real character of Sir Antony's schemes. Sir Antony had proposed that certain plans which had worked successfully in India should be applied to Irish financial problems. Mr. Wyndham assented, but now confesses his "colossal ignorance" of his own words of Indian affairs. He says he was not aware that there is a semi-elective element in the Administration of India, and that he had no intention of countenancing its introduction into Ireland.

The Government's predicament is the opportunity of the Irish Nationalists, and Mr. Redmond has made the most of his opening. His amendment, complaining of "negligence and mismanagement" by the ministers, was justified by the facts. The Government now finds itself between two fires. The Irish Nationalists will be content with nothing less than home rule, while the extreme Irish Unionists are angry at what they call the Government's surrender to the home rule agitation in appointing Sir Antony MacDonnell and to a certain extent abetting him in his policy of concession and reform. The Government is accused, with some reason, of dealing unjustly with MacDonnell and of virtually repudiating the Lord Lieutenant, the Earl of Dudley. The action of the Irish landlords, Conservative and Liberal, represented by Lord Dunraven, and the fact that a Unionist Government has been seeking to effect gradual changes, are two convincing proofs that the Irish question is far from closed. There appears to be an irresistible tendency toward a devolution of the power of the Imperial Parliament, which, in the near future, will take some form of local self-government for Ireland, though possibly far from realizing the Gladstonian ideal. People of the present day may live to see the British Isles under a federal system.

The new Ontario Government will today fix the date for the opening of the Legislature next month. With a majority of 40 it has no reason to fear the ideas of March.

The Weekly Sun complains of the increase in the military expenditure of Canada. How does this strike the Dundonald claquers who were so noisy a few months ago?

Dr. Sproule borrowed his smiles from his profession in speaking of the new provinces. He congratulated the Premier upon acting as accoucheur in bringing two healthy twins into the family of confederation.

As usual, it remained for the Liberal party of Canada to make the first contribution to imperial defense. It was the same with the preferential tariff and the sending of troops to fight for the Empire.

The absence of Hon. Clifford Sifton from Parliament has been ascribed by the Tory press to his opposition to the Northwest autonomy bill. This is unfair. Le Canada, of Montreal says: "As to the sickness of Mr. Sifton, it is unhappy too true, and moreover, it is such as to create anxiety. He has insomnia and earache, from which he suffered from childhood, and today it has developed to such an extent as to give intense neuralgia. Entire rest is necessary, and has been prescribed by his physicians."

Isn't It.

[Aylmer Express.]

It is funny how some people can be kept away from church by a little snow when they would face a blizzard when they have a little fun.

Philosophical Cass.

[Toronto Globe.]

Mr. Thomas Crawford was disappointed and said so. Mr. Henry Carscallan says he is trying to take it "philosophically," and that "it would be bad taste on his part to express disappointment, even if he felt it." Dr. Beattie Nesbitt's feelings are still unutterable.

A Chance Not To Be Missed.

Bishop Potter tells the following story on his distinguished friend, Phillips Brooks. Some years ago Bishop Brooks

was denying himself to all visitors, when Robert Ingersoll called. The prelate this time "let up." "I am Ingersoll," he said, "but why do you see me when you deny yourself to friends?" "It is this way," said the bishop. "I feel confident of seeing my friends in the next world, but this may be the last chance of seeing you."

Painted Paragraphs.

[Chicago News.]

Even a good business woman makes a poor silent partner.

A friend in need can always be counted on to make a touch.

You can never tell what is in a man or a cigar until you try them.

If an artist understands figures he isn't necessarily a mathematician.

Don't expect your friends to be stuck on your jokes if they are pointless.

The man who frankly admits that he is lazy manages to avoid a lot of hard work.

There are a dozen lieutenants of idleness for each captain of industry in this world.

A man may smile when he sees his wife's new bonnet, but the smile comes off when he sees the bill.

Willie's Scheme.

[Philadelphia Ledger.]

Mr. Popper — Goodness, I wish it would stop raining.

Little Willie told you how to stop it, pa. Gimme a quarter to save up for a rainy day and I'll bet there won't be another one for a year.

Forget How It Looked.

[Philadelphia Ledger.]

"Say, old man," began Brauer, preparing for a touch, "you know that fiver I borrowed of you last summer?"

"I'm afraid not," interrupted Weiser, "suppose you introduce me to it again."

Orchard Lands of Long Ago.

[James Whitcomb Riley.]

The orchard lands of long ago,
The drowsy winds awake and blow,
The snowy blossoms back to me,
And all the buds that used to be,
Flow back again the grassy ways,
Oh, truant feet, and lift the haze
Of happy summer from the trees,
That trail their tresses in the seas
Of grain that float and overflow
The orchard lands of long ago!

Blow back the melody that slips
In lazy laughter from the lips
That marvel must at any kiss
Sweeter than the sweetest of the birds,
Blow back the twitter of the birds,
The lisp, the thrills and all the words
Of summer time a glorious wine,
That drenched the leaves that loved it so
In orchard lands of long ago!

Oh, memory! Alight and sing
Where rosy-bellied apples cling,
And golden russets glint and gleam,
As in the old Arabian dream—
The fruits of that enchanted tree
The glad Aladdin robbed for me!
And drowsy winds awake to fan
My blood as when it overran
A heart ripe as the apples grow
In orchard lands of long ago!

Career for Canadians.

[Toronto Star.]

Young Canadians will now begin to see a career in the army opening to them—there will be desirable posts in the service after this.

In Training.

[S. E. Kiser.]

HE.

O maiden fair, why all this haste?
Why do you hurry so?
From early morn till late at night
You're swiftly on the go.

SHE.

There are so many worldly things
I want to do, and oh,
It is so hard to be good so long,
'Twill soon be Lent, you know.

Farmers Would Pay Export Duty.

[Winnipeg Free Press.]

Within the last seven years one hundred and eighty-one million bushels of wheat were exported from Canada. Had there been during that period an export duty of 5 cents a bushel on wheat it would have taken just that much off the price not only that wheat exported but every bushel of wheat ground at home as well. Mr. Maclean's idea, if put into effect, would cost the farmers of the Northwest, as a summing that the duty were only 5 cents a bushel, from three to four million dollars annually. No one believes that any time within the next half-century the milling capacity of Canada, even under the stimulus of an export duty, could overtake the yield of wheat. The condition of things could be brought about the wheat growers would pay the export duty.

NEW BOND ISSUE FOR G. T. PACIFIC

Were Dealt In on London Exchange at a Premium of From 1 to 11-2.

LONDON, Feb. 23. — Speyer Bros. Tuesday offered four per cent mortgage bonds of the Grand Trunk Pacific, due in 1955, at 95 1/2. The new bonds were dealt in at 1 1/2 premium. The bonds consist of £1,646,000 relating to the prairie section, and £1,358,000 bonds of the Lake Superior branch. The Lake Superior bonds are secured by first mortgage on their part of the line. The prairie bonds are secured by a mortgage on the main line of the prairie railway, running next after the mortgage, to secure certain three per cent bonds yet to be issued, guaranteed by the Canadian Government.

Thomas Lindley, for seventeen years secretary of the Quebec Central Railway, was elected a member of the board, Mr. Brassey assuming the secretaryship.

Mr. Lindley no doubt takes the place of Premier Parent of Quebec on the board of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Hon. Mr. Parent having resigned from the board on Tuesday.

RESIGNS FROM G. T. P.

Premier Parent Steps Out as Government Representative.

Quebec, Feb. 23. — There is still no change in the political situation, though negotiations are still in progress without result. This morning Messrs. Gouin and Weir, who were summoned to Quebec by the Lieutenant-Governor to end the tension, arrived, and were in consultation all forenoon with Hon. Mr. Turgeon and

cussing the situation, but nothing can be learned yet as to their intentions.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Hon. S. N. Parent, Premier of Quebec, who was last fall appointed as the representative of the Dominion Government on the board of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company, has resigned that position.

WITTE MAY HEAD A RUSS CABINET

The Moderate Party Believes One Will Be Granted by the Emperor.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22. — A large group of Liberals has reached the important agreement to advocate the formation of a cabinet of moderate moderates. A responsive cabinet, which moderates a more hopeful feeling exists that the Government may meet the situation in most satisfactory fashion. A responsive cabinet, with M. Witte at its head, is regarded as already assured. The committee of ministers is providing for representation of the various classes interested upon the commissions which are elaborating the manifesto reforms of Dec. 25, but the majority of the Liberals still manifest scepticism, which will not disappear until words are translated into acts, while nothing the Government may do short of convening a national assembly will appease the radicals. A Zemsky Zabor, they declare, will not suffice.

In spite of the warnings of the police, who insisted that they were unable to guarantee his safety, Grand Duke Alexis last night went to Moscow to the funeral of his brother, and Grand Duke Vladimir today went to Tsarskoye-Selo. The trips were successfully accomplished.

A SUDDEN DEATH

Arva, Feb. 22.—Stephen Corsaut, a highly-respected resident of London Township, died very suddenly this afternoon. He had been complaining of more or less rheumatism, but was still about his work as usual. Today, while engaged in cleaning the house, the dog barked, and he looked out to see the cause and sank to the ground. Dr. McNeil, of Arva, was hastily summoned, but long before he arrived the fatal spark had fled. The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement. Heart disease was the cause of death.

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Toronto, Feb. 22.—Peter Gowan, a brakeman of the C. P. R., died in the hospital this morning of injuries sustained by being run over by a locomotive in the yards. He was coupling cars, when he slipped and under the wheels, and one of his legs was frightfully crushed. The limb was amputated until Friday last, before that mortification had set in. Gowan was 60 years old.

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Special bargain of only one English Balmoral Rug, size 3x3 1/2 yards. Regular price is \$12.00. Sale price \$9.00. Ten Tapestry Rugs, 3x3 yards. Sale price \$6.50. Seven Tapestry Rugs, 3x3 1/2. Selling at \$7.50. One Tapestry Rug, 3x4 yards. Clearing sale price \$8.50.

\$21.00 Wilton Rugs for \$18.50.

Magnificent selection of twenty of the best Royal Wilton Rugs, in all the newest and most predominating colorings of greens, crimson, terra cotta. These Rugs are direct importation. Size 3x3 1/2 yards. These sell regularly for \$21.00. Can be bought at this sale for \$18.50.

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DRY GOODS STORES
130 DUNDAS AND 131 CARLING STREET
LARGEST CARPET HOUSE IN CANADA
CARPET HOUSE: 128 AND 130 CARLING STREET

Four hundred Liverpool shopkeepers have petitioned the city council for more police protection from religious processions, which, they say, are ruining the trade.

SIGNALS OF DANGER.—Have you lost your appetite? Have you a coated tongue? Have you an unpleasant taste in the mouth? Does your head ache, and have you dizziness? If so, your stomach is out of order and you need medicine. But you do not like medicine. He that prefers sickness to medicine must suffer, but under the circumstances the wise man would procure a box of Parnell's Vegetable Pills and speedily get himself in health, and strive to keep so.

Governor Gessler's castle, near Kussnacht, on the Lake of Lucerne, famous in the history of William Tell's exploits, has been sold to a company, which will convert the ancient stronghold into a modern hotel.

Monkey Brand Soap makes copper like gold, tin like silver, crockery like marble, and windows like crystal.

There is activity, combined with anxiety, in Lancashire coal mining circles. One of the mines are near to the exhaustion point, and explorations in search of new ones are being carried on that will cost \$20,000,000.

MAN IS NOT TRUE TO ALL MEN. The well-spring of lung, clear of eye, alert and buoyant, with a shield-protected gun, and a bullet may be their social condition. To be well is to be happy, and we can all be well by getting and keeping our bodies in a healthy state. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil will help all to do this.

Rio de Janeiro's health department, in an effort to abate a plague of rats, offered 10 cents for every dead rat. The consequence was that a syndicate was formed for the importation of the vermin and it was making money when it was exposed.

Sore Throat and Coughs. A simple, effective and safe remedy for all throat irritations is found in Creosote Antiseptic Tablets. They combine the germicidal value of Creosole with the soothing properties of slippery elm and licorice. 10c. All Druggists.

Though adopted no more than six or seven years ago, the whole of the German quick-firing field artillery has been condemned as "obsolete," and is to be replaced by shield-protected guns recoiling on their own limber. That is the Japanese type of field gun.

MOTHER GRAVES' Worm Exterminator has no equal for destroying worms in children and adults. See that you get the genuine when purchasing.

The Indian rhinoceros is nearly extinct. There are two specimens in the London Zoological Gardens and two on the European continent. Very few are left in a wild state in India and Assam, and unless special measures shall be taken for their preservation they will soon disappear.

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Easy to Take Easy to Operate

Because purely vegetable—yet thorough, prompt, healthy, satisfactory—
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A TESTIMONIAL TO HON. MR. ROSS

Substantial Sum Will Be Presented Upon Return From the South.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—It has been rumored for some time that a number of friends of Hon. George W. Ross, desiring to express their appreciation of the sacrifices he has made in public life, intended to subscribe a fund which they would ask him to accept. The matter has been in the hands of a committee, and G. G. S. Lindsey, K.C., who has been secretary, said it was not desired to give much publicity to the movement.

He, however, authorized the statement that a substantial sum has been paid into the fund, but that it will not be proffered to Mr. Ross until his return about the end of March from Jamaica.

Mr. Lindsey said it was perhaps better that some intimation should be given to others than those who had already been advised of it, as there would be sure to be some who might take it amiss that they had no opportunity to be included in any testimonial to so unselfish a friend as Mr. Ross. Up to the 25th of March next W. S. Calvert, M. P., Ottawa; C. M. Bowman, M. P., Southampton; H. M. Mowat, K.C., and P. C. Larkin, Toronto, or S. Casey Wood, the acting secretary, Canadian Life Building, Toronto, will continue to receive subscriptions.

RUSSIAN JEWS COMING

Four Hundred on Their Way, Seeking a New Home.

Montreal, Feb. 23.—The Baron de Hirsch institute here is in receipt of \$10,000 from Hermann Landau, of London, England, who is closely connected with the Rothschilds. The money is the forerunner of 400 Russian Jews, who are coming by the C. P. R. line to Mount Temple, as immigrants to Canada. It will be expended by the committee in a way deemed most suitable to give the new-comers a good start in this country. The committee is composed of Dr. Friedman, Israel Rubenstein, and M. Workman, three earnest workers in behalf of their fellow-countrymen in distress in Montreal. The 400 will be sent on to this city from St. John, N. B., their landing place, and their disposition will be decided by the committee.

RURAL TELEPHONES

Bell Company Presents Proposition to Waterloo Farmers.

Berlin, Ont., Feb. 23.—Special Agent Scott, of the Bell Telephone Company, addressed a gathering of county business men and farmers here today in connection with the establishment of a rural telephone system for Waterloo County. The conference was held on the initiative of the county board. The Bell Company will, if guaranteed a telephone for every mile of line built, install such a system for \$15 an instrument, with free connection among the farmers on the system and a fee of five cents for every call to telephones on the Berlin and Waterloo exchange. The farmers think they should have this town service without an extra fee, and did not indorse the proposition. They are willing to contract for the service if that feature is struck out, and say that from 40 to 75 farmers would take the service.

HOSPITALS CROWDED

MAJORITY OF PATIENTS WOMEN

Mrs. Pinkham's Advice Saves Many From This Sad and Costly Experience.



It is a sad but true fact that every year brings an increase in the number of operations performed upon women in our hospitals. More than three-fourths of the patients lying on those snow white beds are women and girls who are awaiting or recovering from operations made necessary by neglect.

Every one of these patients had plenty of warning in that bearing down feeling, pain at the left or right of the womb, nervous exhaustion, pain in the small of the back, leucorrhoea, dizziness, flatulency, displacements of the womb or irregularities. All of these symptoms are indications of an unhealthy condition of the ovaries or womb, and if not heeded the trouble will make headway until the penalty has to be paid by a dangerous operation, and a lifetime of impaired usefulness at best, while in many cases the results are fatal.

The following letter should bring hope to suffering women. Mrs. Robert Glenn, of 434 Marie St., Ottawa, Ont., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is so well and widely known that it does not need my recommendation, but I am pleased to add it to the many which you have in your favor. I suffered untold agonies from ovarian troubles for nearly three years, and the doctors told me that I must undergo an operation, but as I was unwilling to do this, I tried your Vegetable Compound and I am only too pleased that I did so, for it restored me to perfect health, saving me a life of suffering and the immense bills attending the same. Pray accept my hearty thanks and best wishes.

Just as surely as Mrs. Glenn was cured of the troubles enumerated in her letter, just so surely will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure every woman in the land who suffers from womb troubles, inflammation of the ovaries, kidney troubles, nervous excitability and nervous prostration.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all young women who are ill to write her for free advice. Address, Lynn, Mass.

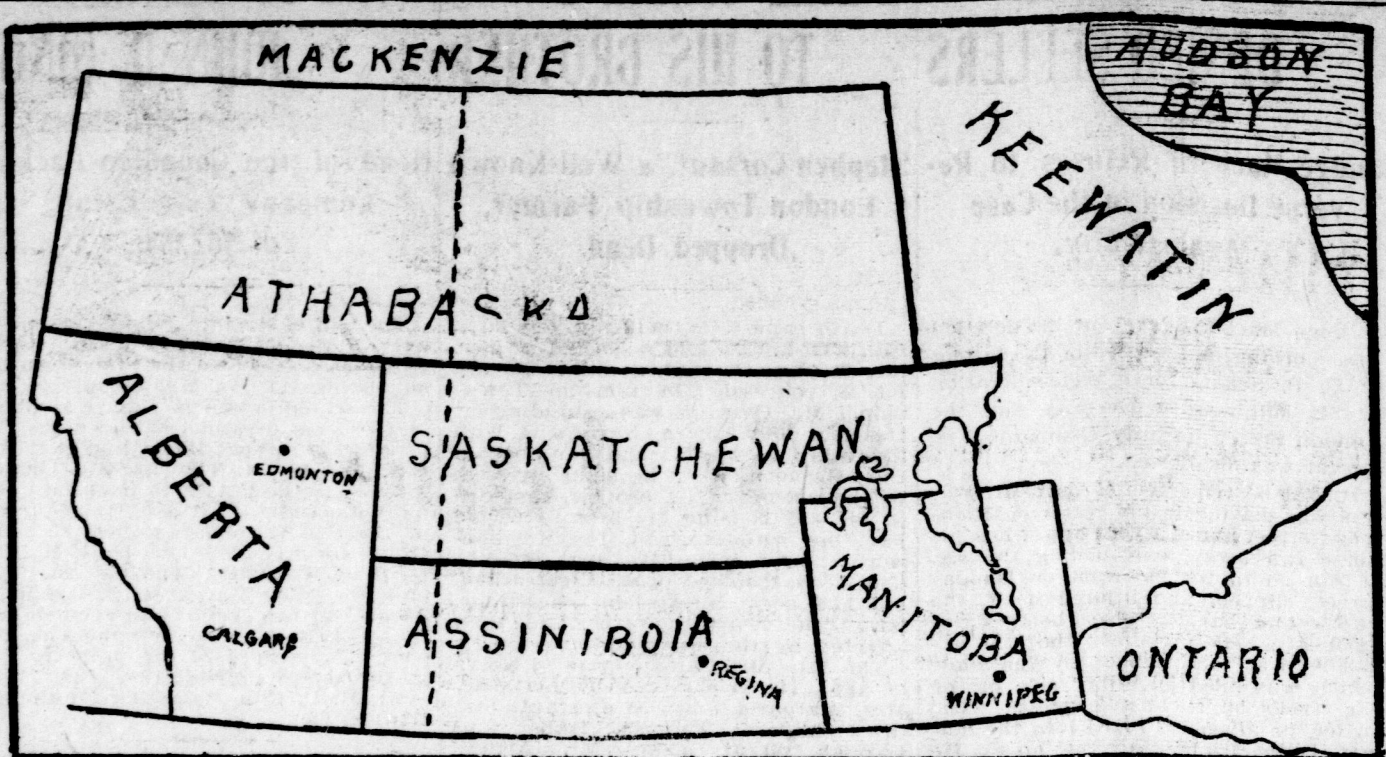


CHART SHOWING SITUATION AND EXTENT OF CANADA'S TWO NEW PROVINCES, ALBERTA AND SASKATCHEWAN.

The straight black lines show the present boundaries of the Territories. The dotted line from north to south is the dividing line of the new provinces. Regina and Edmonton are the respective capitals.

REDMOND SET WHIPS SCURRYING

Irish Leader Springs a Surprise on Government.

PUTS A MOTION TO ADJOURN

Warm Debate Over Irish Affairs in the Commons—John Morley Takes a Hand.

London, Feb. 22.—Encouraged by the reduced Government majority in the division in the House of Commons last night, the Irish party unexpectedly returned to the attack today, more fiercely than ever. Immediately after the session opened John Redmond gave notice of a motion to adjourn in order to discuss the conditions under which Sir Antony MacDonnell holds the post of under secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. This move came as a surprise, and caught the Government off its guard. The speaker set debate on the motion for the commencement of the night session. It had been expected that the debate on Mr. Morley's amendment, calling the attention of his majesty to the condition of the army, showing "negligence and mismanagement by the ministers," which came up today, would occupy two days. A number of Unionist members accordingly absented themselves. Mr. Redmond's tactics caused a great scurrying by the whips, and much upsetting of arrangements. The debate lasted till midnight, when a motion to adjourn was defeated by 235 to 222. Mr. Redmond scored a point by compelling Mr. Wyndham (Chief Secretary for Ireland), to read the correspondence between himself and Sir Antony MacDonnell, by which it was shown that the under secretary was given extraordinary powers and authorized to arrange for co-optation in his control and direction of boards and administrative agencies. It was also shown that Premier Balfour had concurred in this arrangement.

John Morley, who followed, scathingly assailed the Government's administration in Ireland. He said Sir Antony had been censured without a hearing for doing what he had warned them he would do, and which they had invited him to do. The Earl of Dudley (Lord Lieutenant of Ireland), Mr. Morley said, had been overthrown by the Premier, and the under secretary's conduct was described as "indefensible." "What a picture," said Mr. Morley, "of confusion of administrative forces worse than anything I have ever seen. However, that nothing was shown by the correspondence that was dishonorable to the parties concerned."

Premier Balfour said the letters showed that when MacDonnell was appointed under secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, nothing in the shape of deviation was contemplated. Sir Antony's conduct, he said, was indefensible, because in respect to the Dunraven scheme he had exceeded the bounds laid down. This, however, Mr. Balfour said, implied no criticism of his great services. The whole episode was due to a misunderstanding, and Mr. Balfour appealed to the House to bury it.

Mr. Moore, in behalf of the Irish Unionists, said the resolution showed that Mr. Wyndham had tried to form a moderate party in Ireland, which, while directed against the Nationalists, would have destroyed the Irish Unionist party. This, Mr. Moore said, justified the attitude of the Irish Unionists towards Mr. Wyndham. Mr. Asquith said it was clear that Sir Antony MacDonnell had been censured for acting under the terms of his appointment.

The division followed on a motion to adjourn, which was defeated by 226 to 223.

The announcement of the figures was greeted by loud shouts from the Irish members of "Resign, Wyndham!"

PATCHING UP THE JAIL

Contracts Let for Alterations and Much-Needed Repairs.

The renovations in the jail ordered by the recent session of the county council will be commenced at once. The contract for putting in eight new lavatories has been awarded, and the work will occupy about three weeks. New cement floors will also be put in, and altogether the old building will be made much more comfortable.

Some of those who are interested in the jail are sorry that the authorities do not take active steps to have a new jail erected, and they do not want any more money to be spent on the old structure. They point out that other cities, such as Toronto, for instance, have not made their lock-ups do duty nearly as long as the county jail of Middlesex. The latter is certainly a musty old affair, and it has taken a lot of money to keep it in a sanitary condition.

Some of man's most dreaded diseases—smallpox, diphtheria, plague, rabies—have been vanquished by inoculation, and now inoculation is to cure soil that has been worn out and make it fertile and productive again. The germs that bring fertility are mailed by the department of agriculture in a small package like a yeast cake. The cake

MEASURE PLEASES HAULTAIN MEN

Admitted That Money Grant for New Provinces Is Most Generous.

Death From Exposure.

Hulton, Man, Feb. 23.—The lifeless body of James McKay, a well-digger, was found on the side of the trail, about three miles from this place. The body was not stiff or frozen. About seventy feet away from where it lay was found a bottle of Scotch whisky, not touched, and half a bottle of rye, which was standing on end against a post of the snow fence. The coroner pronounced death due to exposure.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Members of Parliament from the Northwest Territories are chary of expressing their views of yesterday's autonomy legislation until they have had more opportunity of satisfying themselves what the various features of the arrangement really mean.

Walter Scott, of Regina, whose opinion about represents the view of his fellow-Liberals, expresses the view that the financial terms proposed by the Government are reasonably satisfactory, and even generous.

The Conservatives, on the other hand, will maintain that the new provinces are entitled to the unsold portion of the public domain within their respective borders, that they are as much entitled to them as Ontario and Quebec were to theirs when they entered into Confederation. They point out that recent sales of school lands have been made at as high as \$7 an acre, and that this represents a source of revenue far in excess of the federal grant guaranteed by the proposed legislation.

However, there are Northwest members who claim that the annual subsidy, increasing with the population of Alberta and Saskatchewan, will be even more satisfactory to them than the proposed sale of lands. There is this to be borne in mind, that under the arrangement proposed by the Laurier Government the annual grant in lieu of lands will continue for all time to come. Long after the lands have all been sold the province will be drawing its grant of \$1,250,000 yearly.

The education clauses of the Government legislation are practically certain to cause a heated debate. The clauses proposed by the Government are identical with the clause in the Northwest Territories act of 1875, with an additional provision designed to prevent the local authorities from starving separate schools out of existence.

Hon. Mr. Bulyea, commissioner of public works, who, with Premier Haultain, has represented the Territorial Government in the negotiation of the autonomy terms, has no hesitation in expressing his gratification at the Dominion Government's conduct in the negotiation of the autonomy terms, and is anxious to reconcile him to the course the Dominion has taken in retaining the public lands. The separate school clause he accepted. Mr. Bulyea pointed out that it simply continued the system now in vogue, which has yielded excellent results. As things stand today very few separate schools exist, but a prohibition would stir up the combativeness of the people interested, and lead most likely to an increase in their numbers.

WHAT IS PARALYSIS?

A QUESTION OF INTEREST TO THOUSANDS WHO HAVE NOT LEARNED THE CURATIVE POWER OF

DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD

Paralysis is loss of power of motion. Movement is the result of contraction of the muscles.

Muscles cannot contract of themselves, but are entirely controlled by the nerves.

As a result paralysis is almost always due to lack of nerve force.

Increase the nerve force in the body by the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. Revitalize and strengthen and depleted nerve cells. Restore vigor to the weakened nervous system and paralysis will disappear.

But it is not only theory that Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is recommended as a cure and preventative for paralysis. It has established a surprising record of cures, and the cured ones are willing and anxious that other sufferers should know about it. But do not wait for helplessness to overtake you before beginning treatment.

If you suffer from weakness, sleeplessness, irritability, headache, twitching of nerves and muscles, trembling of limbs, loss of memory and of power to concentrate the mind, Dr. Chase's Nerve Food will prove of incalculable worth to you. Put it to the test.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, 50 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edmanston, Bates & Co., Toronto. Portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous recipe book author, are on

HAS KUROPATKIN BEEN OUTFLANKED?

Reported Falling Back From the Shakhe River.

PEACE TALK IN THE CAPITALS

London Thinks It Can Be Arranged If Russia Will Admit Japs To Be the Victors.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—3 a.m.—Rumors are current in this city tonight that Gen. Kuropatkin has been outflanked by a strong force of Japanese in the vicinity of Simulup. Kuropatkin is reported to have been compelled to retire from the Shakhe River. But official dispatches, so far as made public, and the Associated Press Mukden advices, give no intimation that such a contingency is even remotely possible. Military circles report the report untrue, and say no body of Japanese of sufficient strength has been reported operating on the right Russian flank to force Gen. Kuropatkin to abandon his position. Kuropatkin is reported to be in a strong position on the Shakhe without a hard fight lasting several days.

London, Feb. 23.—The terms on which Russia is reported to be prepared to conclude peace are regarded in official circles in London as inadequate and largely of a tentative nature. Among the British officials the hope of a speedy cessation of hostilities is most based on official advices telling of the increasing ascendancy and activity of the peace party in Russia. The British officials entertain little doubt that if Russia will express her willingness to conclude peace on terms which will recognize Japan as the victor, a satisfactory solution could be reached through the good offices of France and Great Britain.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—7:30 p.m.—Although the party which is advocating peace as the only egress from the present situation continues to gain strength, nothing has actually been decided, and no move has yet been made. It is officially maintained that Russia is not prepared to accept the foreign office nor the slightest encouragement is given to the peace talk. On the contrary, it is affirmed as a matter of course that Russia must propose terms, while at the same time it is admitted that it is inconceivable that Russia should ever be able to accept a complete Russian victory in the war. Kuropatkin is reported to be in a strong position on the Shakhe without a hard fight lasting several days.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—That the Russian Emperor has definitely determined to seek peace does not appear to be known here officially, but this court has been aware that the Emperor's mind has been wavering between peace and a continuance of the war. What Emperor Nicholas has so far decided to do seems to request of France to ask the British foreign office to inquire of Japan what terms might be expected were Russia to propose peace. Russia will thus be able to refuse to open negotiations if Japan's terms are exorbitant, and the Russian Emperor could again appeal to the discontented classes to support the war as easier to bear than the price of peace.

Vienna, Feb. 22.—The announcement of the possibility of peace in the far east, published today, was received with much satisfaction in diplomatic circles, but it is believed that possibly the universal hope may have resulted in premature expressions. For several weeks past unofficial inquiry has been made as to whether Austria should not or would not fill the role of mediator, and whether Emperor Francis Joseph, as dean of the European monarchs, would not himself take steps to this end. But the Emperor is not inclined to undertake mediation in view of the definite statement that Russia would not be willing to listen to any power on the subject of mediation and consequently the entire matter remains unchanged. It is reported here that the proposal for mediation by a friendly power came from the Japanese.

THE FRENCH NAVY

\$24,000,000 To Be Spent This Year on the Smaller Craft.

Paris, Feb. 22.—The Minister of Marine, speaking in the Chamber of Deputies tonight during the discussion of the naval budget, said that a strong effort would be necessary if France wished to retain her rank as a naval power. The German fleet, he said, gradually was outstripping that of France. The minister promised to take technical advice regarding a fresh programme. The \$24,000,000 to be spent this year will be expended mostly on submarine boats, torpedo boat destroyers and torpedo boats. If the same sum is spent yearly till 1917, the minister said, France need not fear. He proposed to lay down next year three battleships. Immediately steps will be taken to strengthen the far eastern position, including the



When Men See Navy Blue and Black Suits Offered at a Reduced Price, They Are All Attention.

It is never oftener than once a year that this store offers Men's Navy Blue and Black Suits at bargain prices. The close of our fiscal year (March 1) and the incoming of the new stock for Spring, marks the time for this sale. Commencing tomorrow and until March 1, we offer the following unprecedented values in Men's Navy Blue and Black Suits, which are every one in the height of good style, and at every price we can fit every man in either a Blue Suit or a Black Suit.

Chapman-made of fine, soft, all-wool Worsted—famous black and blue fabrics which we have used for years—the "Landslide," "Fitzsimmons" and other guaranteed qualities which will never shine.

Blue and Black Suits.

Sale commences tomorrow. See west window. Complete range of sizes. There is not a man in or near this town, if he needs a new suit, would miss this sale if he realized the advantages.

\$ 7.50 Navy Blue and Black Suits at.....	\$ 5.95
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Township Councils.

Lobo township council met on Feb. 13. Present: John McEugan, reeve; William W. Harris, Peter Mitchell, Andrew Ferguson and Edwin R. Seabrook, councillors. On motion of H. W. Harris, seconded by Peter Mitchell, it was voted that the first meeting of the court of revision on the Lobo assessment roll for 1905 be held in the town hall, Coldstream, May 25, at 10 a.m. The auditors' report was accepted by the council, and the clerk instructed to get 200 copies of the abridged abstract printed.

The following checks were issued: Nichol McIntyre, \$50 for shoveling snow; Malcolm McLean, \$5.62 for wood; the Municipal World, \$8.13 for books, etc.; Richard H. Scott, \$1 for gravel; Alex. Graham, \$1.50 for shoveling snow; Evans Bros. \$24 for printer's ink; D. M. Zavitz, \$50, work on bridge; I. N. Gray and Colin Johnson, \$28.65, auditing township accounts; William A. Caverhill, \$4.40, collecting taxes, etc.; E. R. Barclay, \$39.50 for election expenses, registering births, marriages and deaths, etc.; J. Marsh, \$1.00, insurance on town hall.

Council adjourned to meet March 13 at 10 a.m. E. R. Barclay, clerk, Poplar Hill Postoffice.

There is a large promontory in the Aegean Sea, known as Hayon Horoo, which extends 3,000 feet above the level of the water. As the sun swings around the shadow of this mountain touches one by one a circle of islands separated by regular intervals, which act as hour marks. It is the largest sundial in the world.

At a mass meeting of engine-drivers and firemen in Birmingham, James Holmes, a candidate for Parliament, said, in the course of a speech: "The serious life of engine-drivers and firemen is one of constant strain. It has increased ten years owing to the larger engines used and the consequent increase in their responsibilities."

Dr. Hamilton

Cures Rheumatism

You Use His Mandrake and Butternut Pills—He Guarantees a Lasting Cure.

Rheumatism begins and ends in the blood, which at no time is ever free from poison. But if the kidneys are healthy, they will filter out the wastes and poisons.

In case of rheumatism, the kidneys are not doing their work. As a result, poisons, cysic acids, uric acid, urea, and cause pain almost akin to torture.

There can be no cure, no permanent relief until the kidneys are stimulated. First get them into working order. For this purpose Dr. Hamilton's Pills excel all other remedies; they heal and strengthen the kidneys, no other medicine can do. Once the kidneys are renewed by Dr. Hamilton's Pills, the poisons depart from the blood and all trace of rheumatism disappears.

NO CASE IS TOO CHRONIC TO YIELD TO THE MARVELOUS INFLUENCE OF DR. HAMILTON'S PILLS.

"I spent nearly three years experimenting with rheumatic remedies," writes George F. Sumbury, of Portland. "I had almost given up hope when I tried Dr. Hamilton's Pills; they completely cured me. No remedy could be better."

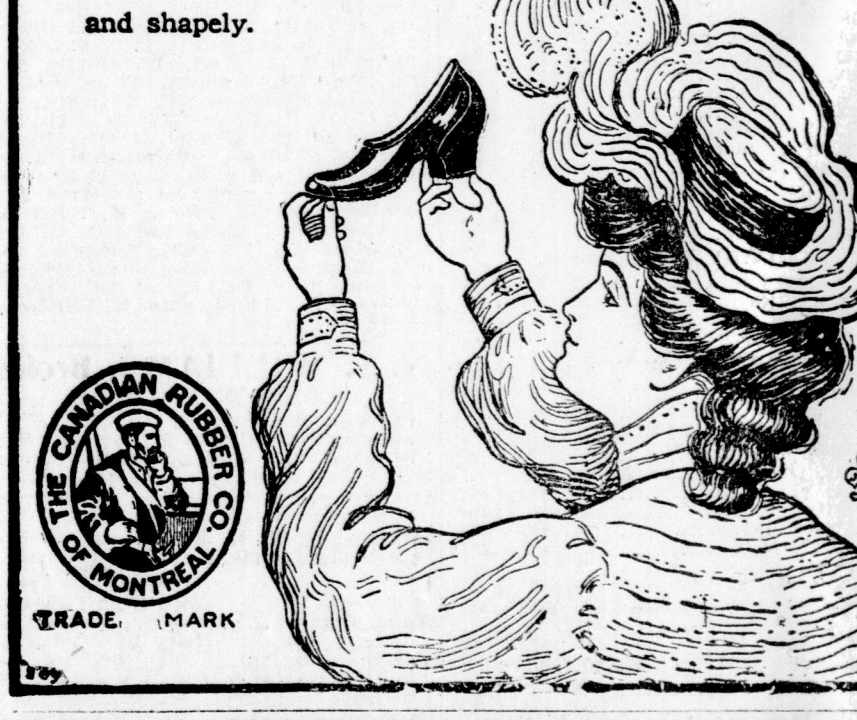
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Any good rubbers will keep a woman's feet dry

The "CANADIAN" RUBBERS,

will keep them dry—

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Grand Showing of Ladies' Silk Waists

Woods' Fair

Great Whitewear Sale Opens Friday, 9 a.m.

On Friday morning we offer for sale the finest line of Ladies' White Underwear ever shown by us. The assortment is very large and the department is full of genuine money-saving bargains.

We quote a few lines, but it is necessary to see the line all through to appreciate it:

Regular \$1.25 Gowns Selling at 85c.

- 6 different styles in Ladies' Fine Lonsdale Gowns, tucked and hem-stitched yokes, also lace and embroidery trimmed, beading finished with ribbon, trimmed sleeves, full skirt, overstitched seams, regular price \$1.25, opening price, each 85c
- 6 different styles in Ladies' Fine Lonsdale Undergarments, 12-inch flounce, made of lace insertion, cluster tucks and deep lace edging, with dust frill, full gored skirt, with taped waist, these skirts always sold at \$1.50; opening price, each \$1.00
- 2 different styles in Ladies' Lonsdale Underskirts, 12-inch flounce, made with two rows wide insertion of fine lace, cluster tucks and six-inch lace on lower edge, wide dust frill, gored skirt, sizes 38 to 42, regular \$2.75, opening price, each \$1.90
- 3 different styles in Fine Lonsdale Corsets, new French neck, with lace and embroidery trimmed, also lace insertion, beading and baby ribbon trimmed, sleeves, finished with pearl buttons and extra good fitting waist, regular 85c, opening price, each 50c

Immense Line Of Child's Dresses.

Woods' Fair

Big Showing Of Very Fine Drawers.

The first Japanese newspaper was published in 1853, and contained news translated from Dutch newspapers. Today Japan has over 1,500 papers, and several of them are in English.

Don't, cold, soreness, and other troubles are quickly relieved by Vapo-Cresol one tablet, ten cents per box. All druggists have them. A bee that works only at night.

