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AMERICAN TROOPS ORDERED TO MEXICO

Brigade With Artillery Embarks On Transport for Vera Cruz

Fear Huerta May Attempt Recapture of the City—Diplomatic Relations Severed and Ambassadors Given Their Passports—Report That Britain May Mediate—Rush to Enlist in the United States—More U. S. Marines Killed and Wounded in Yesterday's Fighting.

(Canadian Press.)
Washington, April 23.—United States troops moved tonight to reinforce the navy at Vera Cruz, the embargo on arms into Mexico was formally restored, and troops were ordered to the Mexican border, primarily to relieve uneasiness among border residents, but also as a precaution against hostile military operations along the international line.

Secretary Garrison announced that a brigade of infantry and some artillery, under Brigadier-General Frederick Funston had been ordered to embark on the Vera Cruz to support the expeditionary forces of marines and blue-jackets there. The chance that General Maestas, the Federal general, might make a return attack on Vera Cruz with reinforcements, and the possibility of a forward movement toward Mexico City to protect the American and the Vera Cruz railroad, were the underlying reasons for the military movement.

The restoration of the embargo on arms was officially announced after the announcement of General Carranza, the constitutionalist chief, that he regarded the seizure of Vera Cruz as a violation of Mexican sovereignty, had been considered by the administration.

Both Charge O'Shaughnessy and Senator Algren, of the Mexican embassy here, have been given their passports. This is not regarded by the Washington government as passing war, but a declaration of war by Huerta would not be unexpected.

The Admiral Fletcher and American Consul Canada were occupied most of the day in Vera Cruz handling hundreds of American refugees. British and German consuls were also busy with the 1,500 refugees at Tampico and a general exodus of Americans from Mexico cities was reported.

The restoration of the embargo, passed the house bill appropriating \$500,000 to take care of refugees.

Revelations of the purpose of Carranza and Huerta are being made before a complete picture of the situation is developed. It was another day of activity at the White House, state, war and navy buildings, with many tense moments.

Secretary Bryan asked the Brazilian government if it would act for the United States in Mexico City, and after a conference with Ambassador Dregan, a reply was received that the Brazilian government had agreed to do so.

The choice of Brazil instead of a European power was regarded as very significant. Not only has Brazil, like Argentina and Chile, been recognized by the Huerta government, but the fact that the United States considered as its friend in a crisis a South American nation emphasized Pan-American solidarity. It was the first time that a South American country ever has been asked to act in such capacity for the United States. When war with Spain was declared, France represented the United States in Spain.

It was announced that the affairs of the Mexican embassy had been transferred to the French ambassador, Charge Algren, for several days expected to leave here, and made his preparations to leave tonight for Canada. It was reported that the Spanish minister to the United States went to Montreal when war was declared.

Embargo on Arms Restored.
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Mexican Ambassador Leaves for Toronto.
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Rebel General Says to Do So Would Make Them a Laugh in Stock

WISHES AMERICANS EVERY SUCCESS

Wants Washington to Recognize Constitutional Government, and if So They Will Tend to Huerta's Case and Grant Reparation for Every Wrong Done to Foreigners.

(Associated Press.)
El Paso, Texas, April 23.—General Francisco Villa, head of the rebel military forces, informed George C. Carothers, special agent of the state department, that he will decline to be dragged into a war with the United States by anybody.

"Why," he smiled, "all Europe would laugh at us if we went to war with you. They would say that Villa, don't know Huerta has drawn them into a tangle at last."

Villa said he was not consulted in the drafting of the Carranza note transmitted to Secretary Bryan last night, and which was regarded as somewhat hostile in tone.

The rebel leader told Carothers, who reported the interview to the state department tonight, that one of the chief reasons he came to Huerta was to show the American people that his attitude was friendly and that he did not fear to trust himself on the border without a military escort behind him.

Carothers took supper with Villa and discussed the situation thoroughly.

"Huerta," said the rebel general, "is the American people's enemy. He is a traitor who cannot even get along with us. You are doing something it would have taken us a long time to accomplish, if we could have accomplished it at all."

The general brought with him 100 woven rugs of the softest lamb's wool as a present for General Scott, who recently left Port Bliss to take command of the chief of staff at Washington. Carothers promised to forward it along with Villa's congratulations to the recipient of promotion.

Villa said he had arranged with all foreigners except Spaniards to ship out their cotton from Durango on paying a war tax, to which the foreigners had agreed. He said Spanish cotton was not included in the arrangement, having been confiscated. There are 25,000 bales there, valued at \$400,000.

Robert Pequeira, Carranza's confidential agent here, insisted today that the note of the chief to Secretary Bryan was not, as it was intended as a basis for further negotiations. He was expecting a reply from Mr. Bryan setting forth the views of the state department.

The rebel position is that the United States troops should be withdrawn from Mexican soil, Carranza recognized as de facto president, or at least as a belligerent, and the punishment of the individual Huerta and other individuals of leaders left to the rebels. Carranza, if recognized, would not hesitate to apologize and disavow the acts of one whom he considers a traitor.

"I think his statement was fair and frank," said Pequeira, "and by no means a threat of war."

The majority of members in the council and singularly for committee power are in favor of Mayor Martin's policy of abolishing the board of control.

London, April 24.—The final day of the visit of the British sovereigns to Paris was both less strenuous and less spectacular than the two previous days, but it afforded to the French crowds a sight of the king patronizing one of England's chief national sports, the turf. The scene at the Anteuil course was remarkable, not for the dense throngs, the grandstands and enclosures being literally packed with spectators, and secondly for the splendid and variety, as well as for the daring style of the costumes paraded by the Parisians, for an adequate description of which the masculine scribbles searched their vocabularies in vain.

It was noticeable that the freer air of the race course soon dispelled the official atmosphere in the royal box, their majesties becoming engrossed in the racing, or in the fashion display between the events on the card.

It was a graceful courtesy on the part of the committee that most of the races were named after the King's residences, the two principal features being the Prix De Buckingham Palace and the Prix De Windsor Castle, the purses having a value of \$5,000 each while the Prix St. George was a double competition to the king and to England's Patron Saint's day.

TORIES REFUSE RELIEF TO CANADIAN MASSES

UNSEAT TWO TORY COUNCILLORS IN DISTIGOUCHE CO.

Council Finds Charges of Bribery and Corruption Proven—Both Men Are Local

Vote Down Liberal Amendment for Free Wheat and Products

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By a unique arrangement it fell to the lot of the youngest Liberal in the house to conclude the debate, with an inspiring and fighting speech. The message of young Liberalism. He bespeaks after the ideals and the determination of the young Liberals of Canada, the inspiration they had derived from the traditions and achievements of British Liberalism, their devotion to their distinguished war and leader, and their determination to carry on unflinchingly the campaign of progress along lines of public service and the prosperity and betterment for all classes and all creeds.

"Our leader has accepted the challenge of the government on the issues raised by this debate, he has accepted the challenge of our refusal to accept it with us, we accept the challenge of today as gladly as we accepted that of last session. We do not doubt the issue. The Canadian spirit is with us. The Canadian Liberalism are behind us. The manufacturer from eastern Canada who produces a large output and reasonable profits for his labor and a reasonable market for his wheat and cheaper agricultural implements with which to more successfully ply his trade. The farmer who is anxious to transport the thousands of incoming settlers to the farm lands of the west, the laborer who seeks steady employment and a reasonable something more than dried bananas and desiccated coconut in his dinner pail and on his table, will all lend their way to the policy of free trade. The Canadian people are ready to render their verdict."

Sir Wilfrid Leader.
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anchored off the port and informed their commanders of his action.

William W. Canada, the American consul here, is making arrangements to have the foreigners in the city taken aboard the merchant vessels should necessity arise.

Consul Canada is endeavoring to inform all foreigners of President Wilson's action and under instructions from the department of state reminds them of a previous warning to withdraw from Mexico.

Huerta Says Foreigners Are Safe.
Mexico City, April 20.—President Huerta has given assurance that all foreign residents, Americans included, shall have full guarantees of safety.

American Red Cross Has 4,500 Nurses.
Washington, April 20.—The American Red Cross has 4,500 nurses enrolled and ready for service with the forces in Mexico, according to a statement today by Miss Mabel T. Boardman.

Miss Board

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WAIT FOR THE EVIDENCE.

The Standard has discovered that the plotters have been followed.

Does the Standard refer to the plotters who accepted the rake-off of \$15 a square mile from the lumbermen? Or does it refer to its friends who profited by certain matters in connection with the Valley Railway?

One would almost suppose from the Conservative newspaper's belated show of courage that it feels convinced that the Royal Commission to be appointed will not be one of judicial and impartial men free from party bias.

The public will hope that the Standard's attitude has no such warrant.

There are men in this Province—and the number is too large to permit of knowledge that the blackballing was collected in connection with the Crown land bonuses. Some of these men can testify where the money is today—or most of it. It is known by other men that contractors were compelled to pay politicians for certain construction work.

The anxiety of the Standard's friends during the last few weeks has not been on account of the transportation interests of the St. John valley, but on account of the exposure, the range of which it is yet impossible to measure. If there have been plotters at work at least they are confined to the Standard's political camp. If there is danger of further exposure the fear of it is confined to that group.

If the Lieutenant Governor gives the people of this Province a commission such as the occasion demands, the Conservative newspaper will probably find themselves sufficiently occupied in reporting the evidence. The Standard is a remarkable example of the fact that a certain class of persons, when they get themselves into difficulties, try to confuse the issue by abusing those who have exposed them. It is a stale trick and an unworthy one. Naturally, therefore, the Standard always tries it.

TROUBLESOME NEIGHBORS.

It is only a few months since ex-President Taft, in speaking of the Panama Canal tolls dispute, said that the nations of the world look to the United States, and properly look to the United States, as a leader in the matter of establishing peace, "because we are so fortunately placed between oceans and without troublesome neighbors that we can go on without fear of consequences to establish a condition in which we shall settle every question by reference to an arbitral tribunal."

He says in another part of the same address delivered before the International Peace Forum, that the United States does not covet the territory of her neighbors and that the spirit of justice governs her relations with other countries, but that she had at least one troublesome neighbor Mr. Taft must have begun to realize before he laid down the baton of office. He delivered over to his well-meaning successor a problem bristling with difficulties, and one that may develop new and unexpected surprises after a prolonged policy of "watchful waiting." With the best intentions President Wilson poured oil on the flames of civil war, armed the bandits, lifted the embargo on guns that may soon be turned on his own soldiers. He did this expecting every week to see the end of Huerta, but the wily Indian

keeps his seat and appears to be the only bandit strong enough to preserve even a semblance of order south of the Rio Grande. Huerta's persistence in clinging to power has defeated Mr. Wilson's whole programme to date, and brought him face to face with the terrible misfortune and sacrifice that armed intervention would entail.

But apart from the imbroglio in Mexico, it is remarkable to see a national leader still dreaming that his country is isolated from the ebbs and flows of world problems and world politics, "between two oceans and without troublesome neighbors." A world destiny opened up before the United States when it drove Spain from Cuba, and it crossed the Rubicon definitely when it built the Canal. That has removed the last possibility of isolation. It has swept the United States into the very centre of the world's currents and counter-currents, where it will feel every breath of the wind and storms to which the other nations must adjust their sails. The building of the canal has shifted the geographic centre of gravity from the Mediterranean to the Caribbean. As for generations the fleets of the world have entered the Mediterranean under British guns at Gibraltar, so the merchant vessels and ironclads of the Powers will pass from the Caribbean to the Pacific between the fortifications of the United States. This makes it difficult for any politician to cherish the illusion of isolation. The United States is now out in the open. It is no longer a state between two seas. The whole world is its neighbor. It has turned definitely away from the dreams of the past, and the next adventure will be "entangling alliances," with some of the nations of "effete Europe." The United States enjoyed for many years the luxury of the Monroe Doctrine, but in the past Great Britain, not the United States, has guaranteed the independence of the smaller American nations. The author of "The Days of the Saxons," says that "in the preservation of the British Empire rather than in the doctrine of Monroe is to be found the basis of its security."

The drift of the times that have broken up all possibilities of isolation will drive Britain and the United States into still closer co-operation, not for national aggrandizement, but for the good of humanity. The Gulebra cut has made a Franco-Anglo-American alliance a probability of the near future.

A MODEST AUTHOR.

The Standard newspaper, which had a period of thoughtful silence when the Dugal charges were first published, becomes quite violent now that Governor Wood has assented to the Valley railway bond issue, and is disposed to make certain angry reflections upon other newspapers. The Standard has had a hard month and it is merely frothing at the mouth under punishment. The symptoms will deceive nobody.

The other day in the Legislature Hon. Mr. Clarke, who stood temporarily in the shoes of Hon. Mr. Flemming, rose with the Standard in his hand and repudiated its misrepresentation of Mr. Dugal and those who were associated with him in his case against the Premier and the government. The Standard sought to conceal that incident from its subscribers, but that was impossible. In every corner of the Province its conduct was proclaimed.

The official reporter of the Legislature was at first held responsible for sending the despatch which got the Standard into trouble. He promptly denied it, and Mr. Clarke repeated his denial officially in the House. The final editor of the Standard was in Fredericton at the time, but he also vehemently denied the authorship of the fake. Up to the present moment no one has come forward to claim the distinction of having written the article in question. Could it have been the author of the forerunners bill?

THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC AND THE VALLEY.

An astonishing statement is made by the Standard in regard to the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Valley railway. The Standard says:

"Reverting, however, to the subject of connection with the G. T. P., there is no doubt this will be arranged in good time. The Times knows that the G. T. P. cannot enter New Brunswick until the Quebec bridge is completed."

The whole country knows that an expensive and up-to-date train ferry has been built in Great Britain to carry Grand Trunk Pacific trains across the St. Lawrence at Quebec, and that this train ferry has been launched and will be in use during the coming autumn. The express purpose for which it was built was to enable the Grand Trunk Pacific to get its traffic across the river without waiting for the completion of the Quebec bridge. The train ferry has hydraulic lifts which will enable it to load and unload trains at all stages of the tide.

If the Standard's friends at Ottawa and at Fredericton had given proper attention to the public interest the Grand Trunk Pacific would already have arranged to operate the Transcontinental and would now be running trains over it. There is nothing at all in the Standard's excuses about the Quebec bridge, and the man who wrote probably forgot, or did not know, that a picture of the train ferry was published in St. John only a week or two ago.

The Conservatives have been very indefinite of late in discussing the matter of a connection between the Transcontinental and the Valley railway. That should have been arranged before the \$20,000,000 bond guarantee was passed. Also, the route from Gagetown to St. John and from Centreville to Grand Falls should have been definitely laid down.

A difficulty about Transcontinental traffic, in addition to the lack of a proper

connection between the Transcontinental and the Valley railway, is that the Valley line, bridge and all, cannot be completed now before the end of 1915, although the bond guarantee bill specifies that it is to be finished within that time.

Section 22 of the bill is as follows:

"The entire railway shall be completed and in actual condition for traffic not later than the first day of November, A. D. 1915."

"In actual condition for traffic" must include the bridge; yet nobody now believes that the bridge across the St. John river will be completed by November, 1915, and until that bridge is finished the Gagetown-St. John section must remain useless. Where will the through freight go in the meantime?

AN EVIL INFLUENCE.

A further development of the armament crisis in which Russia and Germany were represented as ready to fly at one another is seen in an official, or at least a semi-official effort on the part of Germany to argue that Russia is only a nominal partner in the Triple Entente, and that her true role is not in European politics, but to expand in the East. Russia is assured that if she cares to detach herself from the Triple Entente she will be repaid by a favorable tariff arrangement, and that she will benefit in various other ways.

It would be a great relief to the British Liberals if the United Kingdom were freed from an entente with Russia. She has respected little advantage from it during the ten years of its enforcement and no honor. The Nation says: "But so far as the entente has dragged up with it the hands of the great European quarrel, it has been an unmitigated curse. Its fruits are the estrangement of Germany, our best and most natural friend in Europe, the appalling increase in armaments, and the bad, morally shameful and entirely profitless combination with Russia. Nearly every good cause—democracy, peace, liberalism, liberty—in Europe and in Asia have suffered by it."

Russia has changed little in essential characteristics since the Great Power came to the English court "dropping pearls and vermin," as Macaulay describes his incursion. The barbaric richness and splendor of the court has concealed as with a veneer the lack of civilization. The history of Russian thinkers is a history of martyrs and a register of convicts; the government has always striven to cut them down like blossoms before they could bear fruit. This policy has kept the people in a state of ignorance and lowered the already low level of civilization. From suffering and oppression a few individuals have come forth with intellectual and moral strength, but the policy that they developed a chosen few is not good for the people at large. The race is not strong enough to think when it is hungry, to fight against opposing forces and to burn down the barriers erected against the advance of thought.

Germany is right. The future of Russia is in Asia. Her influence in European politics has been evil and only evil continually. The motive of Germany in giving this advice is all selfish, but the advice is all true. "The Russian masses," says Leroy-Beaulieu, in the Empire of the Caesars, "have not felt the breath of either the Renaissance, the Reformation or the Revolution. All that has been done in Europe and America for the last four centuries, since the time of Columbus and Luther, Washington and Mirabeau, is, as far as Russia is concerned, non-existent." Peter imposed European civilization upon the Russians, but they have not digested it. They have not left that crude state of barbarism that precedes the dawn of civilization.

GREAT BRITAIN AND PANAMA.

A question frequently asked in the United States is this: As the United States built the Panama Canal out of its own pocket why should it not be at liberty to do as it pleases in the matter of tolls?

Although the answer to this question has been repeated many times by the better class of American newspapers, a large number of United States Senators continue to ignore it. President Wilson, and the men who are supporting him in his stand for honor and justice, have made an unanswerable case. The New York Journal of Commerce presents the facts concerning Great Britain's rights at the Isthmus clearly and impressively. It says:

The Clayton-Bulwer treaty, as it is generally known, contemplated the construction of an inter-oceanic canal across Nicaragua, and Great Britain and the United States were to join in equal terms in promoting and protecting it and were to enjoy equal privileges in connection with it. They agreed to guarantee its neutrality so that it might "forever be open and free, and engaged to invite every State with which both or either have friendly intercourse" to enter into similar stipulations. But the purpose not being "to accomplish a particular object," that is, the construction of the canal at Nicaragua, "to establish a general principle" it was agreed to extend their protection "to any other practicable communications, whether by canal or railway, across the Isthmus which connects North and South America," and special reference was made to proposals for such communications "by way of Tehuantepec or Panama."

It was to supersede this joint partnership and leave the United States free to proceed alone that the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was negotiated; but the preamble in declaring that purpose stated that it was to be "without impairing the general principle of the treaty," which was specifically agreed that the "general principle of neutrality" in Article VIII of that convention, "just referred to, this applied to Panama as well as Nicaragua, and in the Hay-Pauncefote treaty it was specifically agreed that the "general principle of neutrality" of the "obligations of the high contracting parties" should not be affected by any "change of territorial sovereignty" or of international relations of the country or countries traversed by the proposed canal. Hence the change of sovereignty and of international relations of Panama after the treaty, was made makes no difference with the principle of neu-

tralization established or the obligations assumed by the United States under the treaty.

Great Britain only abandoned its right under the old treaty for joint control over the Canal without any form of discrimination. It is recalled now by the Journal of Commerce that when the first form of the treaty was submitted for ratification an amendment was moved that the United States reserve the right, in the regulation and management of the Canal, "to discriminate in respect of its own citizens engaged in the coastwise trade." This amendment was defeated by a vote of nearly two to one. It was thus established that the treaty should contain no claim to the right of discrimination. The Journal of Commerce contends, therefore, that it is absurd that an attempt should be made to revive or create the right of discrimination now.

Among those who are supporting the President are Senator Lodge, usually understood to be anti-British, Mr. Richard Olney, who is supposed to have written Cleveland's Venezuela message, Colonel Goethals, who built the Canal, Joseph H. Choate, who was Ambassador to Great Britain when the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was negotiated, and many another eminent man whose attitude now does him credit and indicates how sound the President's position is.

THE INVESTIGATION.

The news that Mr. Flemming is feeling better and is going to fight should be good news for all who are really interested in the welfare of the province, and who ask that the charges preferred by Mr. Dugal should be tried fairly and impartially. The government of the day will have the choice of defending itself with Mr. Flemming or without Mr. Flemming. He is still Premier of the Province, so far as the public knows, and he himself may have something to say as to whether the other men in the Cabinet are going to stand by him in the present instance or stand clear for their own political safety.

That in itself is an interesting question, but the principal issue is much larger than the fate of Mr. Flemming or of his government. The public welfare comes first. The fate of individuals, their hopes and fears, their desires and ambitions, are secondary.

Mr. Dugal, a respected member of the Legislature, became possessed of certain information, which, as was his duty, he presented to the Legislature, together with resolutions demanding full responsibility, and asking for a complete inquiry under oath. It has been charged against Mr. Dugal by a hostile press that in asking for a committee of the House instead of a Royal Commission he showed a sign of weakness. That is untrue. Mr. Dugal and his associates would naturally prefer an impartial Royal Commission to a partisan committee of the Legislature, but in asking for a committee they followed the precedent established by the Conservative opposition in the case of the steel bridges investigation.

We are publishing elsewhere an interview with Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P., given before his departure for Ottawa Wednesday. Mr. Carvell is ready to proceed, and it is expected that he will have charge of Mr. Dugal's case. No better man could be chosen. Mr. Carvell in the interview that Mr. Dugal and those associated with him will be content with an impartial commission and a full and free inquiry, and that they are able to prove the collection and payment of the rake-off money in connection with the Valley railway.

Mr. Carvell stamps as mere bluster talk in the Conservative newspapers, the purpose of which was to create an impression temporarily in Conservative circles that Mr. Dugal and his associates were hesitating or were not so anxious as they were at first to press the inquiry home. There never was any foundation for these statements in the more reckless government newspapers, some of which assailed Mr. Dugal without any knowledge of the facts, while others attacked him and his motives after they actually had learned a portion of the truth. The case, as it stands today, ought not to be regarded merely as a struggle between two political parties; it is the public interest that is at stake, and if it required a free and fearless trial of the issues raised by the Dugal charges, without regard to whom the investigation may injure or may benefit.

Let all of the evidence that is relevant in both cases be admitted and tested under oath. That is what the public demands. It wants to know the whole truth, and by the whole truth all parties to the investigation must be content to stand or to fall. The essential thing now is that the inquiry be judicial and without partisan color. The facts are enough.

MEXICO.

The troubles of Mexico have been prepared for her by the man who for thirty years held the whole country in the hollow of his hand—Porfirio Diaz. Diaz has been widely and extravagantly praised. Elhu Root said: "I look upon Porfirio Diaz as one of the greatest men to be held up for the hero-worship of mankind." It would be idle to deny greatness of a kind to Diaz, but his weakness is that he never used his absolute authority to educate the Mexican people to wards self-government. He might have tolerated an opposition party without endangering his own position. Instead of allowing a fair election he always discovered a plot set for election day and by the enemies of his power were going to wrest authority from him by fraud or violence. No breathing space

was allowed in the press or in politics. His greatness is almost completely eclipsed by the fact that he was so content with the policy of "after me the deluge." The Spanish-American capacity for self-government has not been utterly proven, but they are certainly paying a high price for leave to try the experiment.

Diaz became neither the Cromwell nor the Washington of his country. He never was popular, nor did he at any time rely for success upon the democratic feeling of the people. The great talent that he possessed taught him that it was easier to deal corruptly with corruptions than to rise to the dignity of a loyal reformer. He was a clever manager of men, an astute intriguer, and a sly miser. Ingenious, bombastic, eloquent, a master of dramatic effect, through his skill he saved his country from the grasp of more dangerous aspirants and from anarchy. But every citizen felt that he was under the rod of a despot, Mexico needing a creative reformer, and this Diaz was not. To set Diaz up for the hero-worship of mankind, as Senator Root suggests, would be absurd. There are some few names that the world cannot forget so deeply as they engraven on its heart, and there are others that it bows before the world not to forget. It will be a difficult task to show that the name of Porfirio Diaz should be placed on either of those lists.

Apparently Mr. Wilson hopes still for the establishment of constitutional government. Constitutional government never existed in any marked degree south of the Rio Grande, and it seems vain to hope that any of the bandit leaders would succeed in restoring it, or in establishing it where it did not exist before.

No one can foresee the end of the course now adopted by the United States. It may mean occupation and pacification at great cost and over a long period. Already South American countries are most suspicious of what they regard as a declaration that the Monroe Doctrine is so elastic as to be dangerous to them. Europe merely suspends judgment and awaits events.

PROGRESS AND REACTION.

"Sherry is dull, Sir. He is naturally dull," said Johnson. "But he must have taken great pains to be as dull as he is."

Sir Frederick Banbury it was who led the Unionists when they secured one or two snap votes by carefully laid ambushes against the Asquith cabinet. The very knowledge that he is going to speak is sufficient to empty the House. Dullness is a natural gift with which he is endowed in a wonderful degree. He has been mentioned quite frequently as a coming leader. The man is the incarnation of the spirit that in every age has fought a rear-guard action against change.

When others see the night passing the spirit of Banbury will always be found challenging the coming day. But the great changes that have fallen on the Radical or by legislation; they have been accomplished instead by blind and impetuous force, and these forces will go on with many Banbury-laying futile ambushes to resist the march of humanity.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

A judicial and non-partisan commission and a searching investigation—nothing less will satisfy the public. Let the whole story come out.

Widows and spinsters who pay taxes can vote now. No doubt a majority of the electors favor giving a vote to married women who pay taxes. Property is entitled to that measure of protection.

Mr. Flemming's health is reported better, and he announces that he is going to fight the charges. This is good news. Nothing should now prevent the commission from getting to work at once. The sooner the better.

If the cost of living is high here and going up a trifle all the time, there are other places more favored. In a little village in Normandy, where from seventy to eighty children, almost all of whom are all given a mid-day meal at a cost to the village of only about 2s. For each child is fed each day. And the meal is satisfying and nourishing.

The United States, to all intents and purposes, has gone to war with Mexico. With Villa on one hand and the United States ships and marines on the other, Huerta is in a desperate fix. The United States may have to invade the country. If so, an army of pacification and occupation may be necessary for years. The developments may be tragic in a large sense; they cannot well but be prolonged and costly in blood and in treasure.

CAR FERRY READY, BY WHAT ROUTE WILL THE TRAFFIC REACH ST. JOHN?

Ottawa, April 21.—(Special)—The Quebec car ferry is expected to arrive from England about the end of May, and will be in commission this summer, running from Quebec to Lewis. Slips are now being constructed for connection with the I. C. R. at Lewis and the station on the water front at Quebec. The car ferry is designed also as an ice-breaker, and the N. F. R. commission expects it will be able to keep the channel open during the winter.

Charlottetown, April 22.—Steamer Minotau, instead of coming here today as usual from Picton, left that port this morning to relieve of an unknown steamer caught in the ice ten miles north of Cape Jack. She is a large tramp steamer bound to Miramichi for a load of pulp wood. Up to dark tonight the Minotau was within five miles of the latter steamer. She expects to reach the latter in the morning.

"FLAPDOODLE PATRIOTISM"

(Manitoba Free Press.)

It is creditable to the people and the newspapers of the United States that there is such striking evidence of a decided majority, including representatives of all parties, in support of President Wilson's policy of repealing the Panama canal legislation passed by the last congress, which thereby made a sacrifice of the national good faith before the whole world. It is not creditable to the representatives in the present congress of the Progressive or Bull Moose party, or of the National Progressive party, that they are opposing the repeal of this legislation. The Chicago Tribune, which is a leading newspaper voice of the Progressive party, protests indignantly against the repeal of this legislation. If they persist in this "willingness to sacrifice the national honor" adds the Tribune, "the Progressive party will have to go into the fall campaign either repudiating its congressmen or supporting law-bred anarchy." Further, the Tribune says: "We are told that the Progressives are united in support of this vicious policy, while the other parties are divided. So much the worse for the Progressives."

"Nauseating rhetoric and flapdoodle patriotism," is the Chicago Tribune's characterization of the oratory which is seeking to arouse anti-British sentiment in the United States in the interests of the shipping trust. To quote:

"This kind of quack patriotism has the object of all quackery—to get money by false pretense. If the quack-patriots want to subsidize the coastwise lines, controlled, so far as they are not railroad owned, by a couple of steamship companies, why don't they cause a subsidy bill to be introduced? Possibly they do not because they have not the courage to do so, nor the insanity to think it could be passed."

"Therefore, they drape American flags about the wagons they intend to back up to the treasury doors and trust that obscenity will see the drapery and not the contents."

One of the most vehement of the orators who is uttering claptrap on the floor of the senate at Washington is Mr. Chamberlain of Oregon, in regard to whom the Springfield Republican says: "The senator from Oregon seems to be a fine new edition of '44-40 or light' 'I will never stand on the floor of the senate and advocate that this government yield anything to Great Britain," a thrilling declaration that. But as the senator is standing on the floor of the senate or on his head, question in itself open to controversy, he cannot deceive one by his talk about 'yielding' to Great Britain. The only question of yielding is whether the treaty will stand or fall on its own merits, and not on the demands of its own treaties."

The Hearst papers are quite excellent themselves in their anti-British campaign against President Wilson—though Argentina and Brazil take precisely the same position as Great Britain in regard to the Panama canal. The Hearst papers in the United States that there shall be no discrimination in regard to tolls in the Panama canal. As President Wilson has so forcibly pointed out, the controversy comes back every time to the question of yielding to the national honor of the United States. It is satisfactory to learn from well-informed reports from Washington that though such a question over pending legislation has been seen in congress for years, there is every probability that the canal tolls exemption legislation will be repealed by a new majority of decisive majorities in both the house and the senate.

Carnegie's Ten-Cent Piece.

(Montreal Mail.)

Once more has Mr. Carnegie, with the great generosity for which he is noted, lent himself to adorn a moral and political lie. It happened in this way: He was at a luncheon of the National City Federation in New York, when he took a handful of silver from his pocket. "A dime slipped through his fingers and rolled under the table."

"Now, what is a dime to the owner of hundreds of millions, with an income so colossal as to place him beyond the wildest nightmare of avarice? He put ten cents along the hotel carpet, and grasped it above seven years and a twenty-cent and in twenty doublings it would become \$102,909.60, a comfortable fortune for a poor man. All these potentialities were in the dime that the canny Scot dropped on the floor."

Therefore, when the luncheon was ended, he got down on his hands and knees and searched under the table for the lost embryonic fortune, and found not only it, but discovered five cents more, that some unthinking wastrel had dropped and forgotten.

It would be a pity that he who reads may understand that the man with a genius for millions will not only conserve what he has, but he can put his hand out into the empty empyrean, or rub it along the hotel carpet, and grasp the potentialities of added wealth where the unwitting see nothing.

The Outbreak of Cholera.

(Montreal Herald.)

Canada is rapidly becoming a land of cholera. Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes has established a kind of court at Ottawa, with an aristocracy all of his own creation. Thanks to him, Canada now has the privilege of having a colonel as premier of the dominion, a colonel as the premier of British Columbia, a colonel as the premier of Manitoba, a colonel as minister of public works, a colonel as minister of customs, a colonel as post-master-general, and various colonels in the government ranks—as members of parliament.

And that is not all. Col. the Hon. Sam won't allow any man, if he can help it, to come into the limelight without being decorated with a colonelcy to give him "honor." Mr. David McNeil, of the C. P. R., was doubtless flattered to be read in the papers yesterday that he was a colonel. "And war's no regiment?" we fancy we can hear this doughty Scotman saying. Mr. Chamberlain of the Grand Trunk is also dragged into the cares of his weighty office, to bask in the reflected glory of the Hon. Sam, as one of the said Hon. Sam's colonels.

Two venerable archbishops have, at a stroke of Colonel Sam's pen, been converted into men whose chief distinction in his eyes in future will be that they bear the name of the honored and honorable colonel. Even Dr. Robert Johnston, of the name of an American Presbyterian church, has been unable to escape. He, too, has been made a man of war—a colonel. In fact, Colonel Sam has now dotted colonels all round, all over, and all through this wide domain. Let us hope the Hon. Mr. Doherty does not get jealous, and decorate the remainder of us with the title of "Judge."

THE ATTACK ON THE GRAND TRUNK

(Toronto Globe.)

It is probably too much to expect that Mr. Borden will discover the charge of National Transcontinental made by his Liberal party in so far as the actual condition of affairs made by Hon. Geo. F. Graham turned the tables on the government, and it is now on the defensive before the country with the Liberals demanding that unsupported charges of wrongdoing shall be withdrawn. But as the report was prepared for political purposes, the Conservatives in Parliament must at least profess to believe, though they cannot prove, that millions of dollars could have been saved by cheaper methods of construction.

Why should it be regarded as necessary to couple the Grand Trunk Pacific with the Liberal party in an endeavor to make political capital and thus add the credit of one of the greatest of Canada's public works to the credit of money markets? Here are some of the statements made by Messrs. Lynch, Staunton and Guellet, with the G. T. P. in response to the charges of the Hon. Mr. Hays, in connection with the contracts Nos. 16 and 17, and where he gave his not too strong opinion on the subject. Engineer Doucet in his efforts to have a number of La Tuque, and where the company offered to do train-hauled filling, after the railroad was completed, at half the cost paid by the Government, appreciating the gravity of our statement, we unfortunately find that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, instead of discontinuing the contract, has rather encouraged it. The Railway Commission in its expenditure on this railway. If the railway company really expected to operate the line, it would have completed according to the terms and at the actual price in its agreement with the government. We must attribute its want of proper regard to its indifference to the interests of its own shareholders or some of the contractors to reap the largest present profit possible, therefore, we are further informed that in allowing the G. T. P. to build a seventh of the line as contractors the Commission were quite right, but that they should have connived at but to encourage improper expenditures on the railway."

Now what are the outstanding facts in this grave charge is made on the Grand Trunk Pacific? The road when completed, paying a rental of three per cent on the cost. To be sure, that the cost would not be excessive the entire line was built at the joint supervision of the company's engineers and those of the Railway Commission. The Grand Trunk Pacific bid \$1,017,000, the G. T. P. bid \$898,000, the lowest private bid \$1,146,000. On contract three, which was also awarded to the G. T. P. as the lowest tender, the contractor's estimate was \$2,085,000, the G. T. P. bid \$1,800,000, and the lowest private bid \$2,000,000. On contract four the engineer's estimate was \$1,716,000, the G. T. P. bid \$1,681,000, and the lowest private bid \$1,985,000. On contract five, the G. T. P. bid \$3,385,000, and the lowest private bid \$4,428,000.

It will be noted that of these contracts, had the G. T. P. not bid and secured them, private contractors would have done so at prices in some cases hundreds of thousands of dollars higher. How in the face of such a record could any honest man charge the company with conniving at improper expenditures, looking at the question from the standpoint of individual contractors, but in regard to the prevention of "over-bid" and "over-classification" of the entire line was built at the G. T. P. to encourage the doing of unnecessary work at improper prices on the seventh of the mileage on which it was saving construction profits, well knowing that for half a century it would have to pay interest on such unnecessary work upon the six-sixths of the mileage which the private contractors and upon which the G. T. P. was obtaining no contractor's profits.

There is no warrant in fact for the savage attack of Messrs. Lynch, Staunton and Guellet on the G. T. P. That attack would emphasize the fact that the management of the road took all reasonable steps to hold down the cost of maintaining a high standard of construction.

Paper towel rolls are now replacing the roller kitchen towel in many a home.

ABE MARTIN

Upon careful selection to be fitted depends much of the success of the show. Years ago, the most difficult part of the show was the selection of the sheep. Therefore, the selection of the sheep is a very important part of the show. To secure good wool from the lambs is a very important part of the show. It is very important to select the best wool from the lambs. It is very important to select the best wool from the lambs. It is very important to select the best wool from the lambs.

It was as quiet as John Lind in town yesterday. What's become of 'th' old-time mechanic that would work at anything rather than loaf?

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Cleanliness in the Breeder's Sunlight

(S. H. U. in Ott.)

The hog responds to cleanliness and care as any other animal. Not long ago I was impressed with the conditions around the hog of a man who has been successful in raising more or less successful hogs for many years. His feeding with decayed food, the ill-smelling, and the coughing will be attended with a loss of weight. All fixtures in a hog movable. It is advantageous to scour where they are raised twice a week. It should be borne in mind that hogs are good parasites that may be stomach of the hog or death. Dramp hogs are not good. If the house is not clean enough are it is to be on the floor. Sunlight and cleanest disinfectant. They are not to be generally employed.

Would Not Do Without

At feeding time care that no swill is slopping down to accumulate, and in feeding pens a loss in all feeding of extreme importance. The habit of feeding scattered in the mud yard, they should be feeding floor and use a head that is fed in the down corn and much catching will be attended with a loss of weight. I have used a feeding years and certainly would not go back to the old material and set about six square feet of the ground. A 2x4 piece is nailed, with a hole in the center, into the dirt and dust, each time before feeding such a floor is very satisfactory. It will last for years.

SAYS NOTE WAS FOR COLLATERAL

Valley Railway Contractor on Stand in Important Case

THE DEFENCE

Mr. Gould Declares Matter Was Plainly Understood at the Time \$12,000 Note Was Given to J. D. Seely—Some Pertinent Questions Regarding the Two Companies.

Wednesday, April 22.

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