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MAN WOUNDED IN A CALGARY HOTEL

PROBABLY FATAL SHOT DURING SCUFFLE

Ontario Elections Will Be Held in May—Toronto Tradesmen Demand Increased Wages.

Calgary, N. W. T., March 17.—What will probably be the murder, was committed at the Atlantic hotel last night. Three men, Joe McDonald, George Seating, and a man named Muller, partners in a very business, had some liquor and were quarrelling in the stable of the hotel, when Roy McKenzie, the proprietor of the hotel, came home. He told McDonald and Seating to leave Muller with him. McDonald and Seating then went into the house, but afterwards learning that Muller was in the dining room, they looked in, and again had some words, McKenzie again requested them to leave, and they started out. They had reached the door, when an Englishman named Arthur Simpson, who had also been drinking, intervened, and ordered them out. Seating turned on Simpson, and after a few words they clinched and fell to the floor. Immediately afterwards two shots were fired from a .38 calibre revolver. One bullet passed through Simpson's coat harmlessly, but the other entered the right side, passing through his stomach, and emerged at the right hip. Simpson will probably die, and in the ante mortem statement, which has been taken, he accuses McDonald of firing the shot. McDonald has been arrested. Seating immediately jumped a horse, and fled to the country, and the police have not yet captured him.

Shipbuilding.

Halifax, N. S., March 17.—Svean and the big English ship-builders, have offered to provide half a million dollars towards the establishment of shipyards in Halifax, providing the city council will guarantee the loan. The city is capable of turning out ships seven hundred feet long. The offer will likely be accepted.

Missions.

Toronto, March 17.—The augmentation committee of the Presbyterian General Assembly has decided on the appointment of two superintendents, one for British Columbia, and the other for Northwest, and of general secretary for the whole Western section of the church.

Trouble Imminent.

All indications point to serious trouble in the building trades here in the early spring. The men of all trades are making demands for higher wages which, if conceded, will raise the price of labor nearly 25 per cent. A general strike is not unexpected.

Prorogation.

The provincial legislature was formally prorogued by Chief Justice Armour, when he sent for the first time since the death of his wife.

Ontario Elections.

It is thought that the Ontario general election will be held in May.

Discussions in Parliament.

This week's Ontario Gazette contains the announcement that W. Mackenzie, Donald I. Mann, contractor, Z. A. Lash, K. C. and Ernest W. McNeill, solicitor's clerk, all in Toronto, and Roderick J. Mackenzie, Winnipeg, have been incorporated as Mackenzie, Mann & Co., with a capital of \$5,000,000, divided into 50,000 shares of \$100 each. The head office is Toronto.

Accidentally Shot.

Wellington, Ont., March 17.—Charles Pearson, a farmer, is dead, as the result of the accidental discharge of a gun which he was loading in his wagon.

Took Carbolic Acid.

Mrs. Sarah Pettifer, of Eppingham, took a dose of carbolic acid while temporarily insane, on Saturday. She leaves five children and a husband.

Sudden Death.

Winnipeg, March 17.—Edward Stodart, aged 61 years, a city milkman, dropped dead this morning.

Service Resumed.

The train service, which has been practically suspended for two days owing to the storm, was resumed today. It was snow bound at Sewell for a period of 32 hours. During this time 17 orders of local C. P. R. officials, the passengers were given most generous treatment, the company hearing the expense of boarding all on the train. The experience on the whole of the passengers were more pleasant than otherwise. Before leaving the train the passengers on board passed a resolution in order of local C. P. R. officials, which urged on the train for their kindness and general conduct. Other delayed trains to-day.

Death of Old Resident.

Winnipeg, March 18.—Mrs. Christina Archibald, one of the oldest residents in Manitoba, died suddenly last night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. H.

PERMANENT CORPS OF THE DOMINION

LARGE INCREASE OF FORCE RECOMMENDED

Gen. O'Grady-Haly Says It Is Necessary For Efficiency of the Militia—Borden's Speech.

Ottawa, March 18.—The report of the militia department has been presented to parliament. The major-general deals with the inefficiency of the permanent corps from an instructional standpoint. He says the cavalry should be increased by 4 officers, 12 sergeants and 60 men, the artillery by 4 sergeants and 78 men, and the infantry by 18 officers and 402 men of other ranks. He claims that this is absolutely necessary if the efficiency of the militia is to be kept up. There would have the maximum permanent force at 1,500 men, almost double its present strength, and a 3rd company of garrison artillery. He states Kingston military college is giving unsatisfactory results.

L. L. Borden's Reply.

L. L. Borden resumed his speech in reply to Hon. W. S. Fielding in the House to-day. He is in a general way declared for more protection for the development of the industries of Canada, but while doing so he always added the development of the agricultural interests as well, so that his remarks were of a general character. What was wanted, he declared, was a tariff framed in the interests of the Canadian, more protection for Canadian manufacturers and also for agricultural interests. He was opposed to reciprocity in tariffs. He did not believe in reciprocity in agricultural products with the United States. He wanted the home market kept for Canadians. In regard to preferential tariff he was, however, very much more definite. He declared that he did not believe in purchasing goods from Britain to make it more wealthy in Yorkshire. If Scotland was to be brought in, it should be done in a straight forward way, and what in Canada is required was a tariff framed for the Canadian people.

He wanted preference within the Empire against foreign countries.

Sir Richard Cartwright.

Sir Richard Cartwright, in reply, said that 25 years ago he heard the same policy announced from that very chair. There were three senses taken since that time, and the result of that policy was seen in those figures. He asked Mr. Borden where he got his statistics, and he replied from the year book. "I thought," added Sir Richard, "it was from such an unreliable source. That same book gave the population as 5,345,000, just ten years ahead of the time."

NOT YET CAPTURED.

Man Who is Alleged to Have Shot Simpson at Calgary Still Free.

Calgary, N. W. T., March 18.—Simpson, the man who was shot on Sunday in a fracas at the Atlantic hotel, is still alive and although slightly stronger than he was yesterday, slight hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Scouting, the man whom an eye witness declares fired the shot, has not yet been captured, although parties of the mounted police are scouring the country. It is reported that he is still in the Yukon's place, about 18 miles south of the town, on Sunday night, and this morning another report says he was seen yesterday near Carleton, riding one horse and leading another. The last report would indicate that instead of making for the north country, where he may obtain concealment until either the recovery or death of his victim.

SEVERAL LIVES LOST.

Number of Persons Who Perished During Storm Not Yet Known.

St. Paul, Minn., March 17.—The weather in this vicinity to-day was bright and clear, but high winds emphasized the cold. Louis Orlovski, aged 10 years, was found dead early to-day on the street, apparently as a result of exposure. Additional details from the terrible storm that has been raging in the Dakotas are slow to arrive, owing principally to the condition of the wires. At least four and possibly many more persons are dead because of the storm and the loss of stock will be very heavy.

LONDON'S POOL.

Half a Million to Be Entertained by King Edward.

London, March 18.—Half a million of London's poor will be the guests of King Edward during coronation week. His Majesty to-day notified the mayors of the metropolis that the sum of £20,000 was placed at their disposal, and he invited them to make the necessary arrangements to entertain the very poor, to the number of 500,000, at a dinner in celebration of his coronation.

OTTAWA NOTES.

Contract For Wireless Telegraphy Has Been Signed—Intercolonial Affairs.

Ottawa, March 19.—The contract between Marconi and the Dominion government for wireless telegraphy has been signed. It was changed in one or two small particulars. Marconi was not tied down to any special point to erect his station at Cape Breton, and the government will control outgoing messages and Marconi those received.

The House to-day, on orders of the day, discussed at length the refusal of the public accounts committee to call P. S. Archibald, a disgraced official on the Intercolonial, to give evidence in such time as some officials of the road are heard. The opposition have been in the habit of summoning Archibald and not examining him, on the ground that he got his expenses paid here to coach them on Intercolonial affairs.

Mr. Heyd was the first speaker on the budget.

ARMOR PLATE.

Large Shipment From Homestead Mills Sent to Russia Yesterday.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 19.—The largest shipment of armor plate ever sent away from an American plate works left the Homestead mills yesterday for New York. It consisted of thirty-six plates, eighteen for the first-class battleship Borodina and the same number for the first-class battleship Ariel, now being built at the Imperial Russian navy yards at St. Petersburg. The shipment occupied eighteen cars of special constructed cars.

THE RESULT OF LAST WEEK'S OPERATIONS

Nearly Two Hundred Boers Were Captured—Fifteen Killed and Thirteen Wounded.

London, March 18.—Lord Kitchener's weekly report shows that during the week ended to-day 11 more Boers were killed, 7 were wounded, 138 were made prisoners and 120 surrendered.

Laager Captured.

Pretoria, March 18.—Gen. Bruce Hamilton has captured a small Boer laager eastward of Vryheid, southeastern Transvaal. Four Boers were killed, six wounded and 17 were made prisoners. Gen. Botha's brother-in-law, Gen. Eummett, was among the Boers captured.

The Refusal of a Passport.

Washington, March 17.—Secretary Hay will not make further response to the House resolution inquiring into the facts connected with the application of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Thomas for passports to reach the Boer camps. All the facts in the case were set out in the secretary's letter, written in anticipation of the passage of the resolution of inquiry and read by Mr. Pitt to the committee on foreign affairs. The secretary is communicating with Gov. Yates, of Illinois, who initiated the movement to send the Thomases to South Africa, to ascertain exactly what funds he wanted by the contribution to the fund. It has been reported that the total of this fund is \$60,000, a sum scarcely large enough to cover the expense of sending these two persons to Africa, and maintaining them there, and if the only purpose is to help the Boer women and children in the camps, the state department is willing to furnish it by sending the money through the United States consular officers in South Africa, and thus reduce the expense of distribution to nothing.

REBEL SUCCESS.

They Continue to Defeat the Chinese Imperial Troops—Reinforcements to Be Sent.

Hongkong, March 19.—The rebels in the southern provinces continue to defeat the Imperial troops sent to subdue them. General Ma and Marshal Su report that it is impossible to suppress the rebellion with the troops at their disposal, and the Viceroy of Canton has requested Yuan Shikai, who has been reported to send reinforcements overland from Chi Li.

The Imperial troops have been defeated at Sek Shing and at Popok in Yun Nan province the rebels hold the town and district of Po Chuen, twenty miles northwest of the prefectural town of Yun Nan. They have also captured the towns of Sin Chou and Yung Ning.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Commons Rejects Resolution For Committee to Investigate History of the War.

London, March 18.—The debate this evening in the House of Commons, on the motion of the Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, yesterday, for the appointment of a select committee to investigate the whole commercial history of South African war called out several acrimonious exchanges of remarks.

Reginald McKenna, Liberal, commenting on the remount department, declared that widespread corruption in the horse purchases had been disclosed in almost every country on the globe.

Lord Stanley, financial secretary to the War office, interrupted Mr. McKenna with an angry denial of a specific charge regarding the purchase of horses in Spain. He said the statement was maliciously false, and he demanded proofs of the assertion made.

Mr. Lambton, Liberal Unionist, drew Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's fire by declaring that the leader of the opposition, by his reckless language, had taken from many people the consolation of feeling that their relatives who had died in South Africa had fallen honorably in the service of their country.

To this Sir Henry replied, angrily, "I give the most complete and most circumstantial denial to every word the honorable gentleman has said."

This statement caused confusion in the House, and cries of "withdraw," but Sir Henry refused to withdraw his remarks, and Mr. Lambton said his language to Sir Henry referred to "methods of barbarism and similar talk about the concentration camps and other matters."

The Speaker, Sir William Court Gully, interrupting, exclaimed: "Both gentlemen are out of order."

Mr. Lambton thereupon apologized, but said that utterances such as he had quoted, were gravely injuring the soldiers in South Africa.

H. H. Asquith, Advanced Liberal, strongly supported Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's motion.

A. J. Balfour, Conservative, winding up the debate, argued that the acceptance of the motion would hamper military operations and give advantage to the enemy, besides creating a bad precedent.

Sir Henry's motion was rejected by a vote of 346 to 191, the big majority eliciting loud ministerial cheers.

THE HOBOKEN FIRE.

Number of Lives Lost Unknown—Damage May Amount to Over a Million Dollars.

New York, March 19.—No estimate could be made to-day of the loss of life in the fire that started last night on the Phoenix pier in Hoboken, and it was thought the number of dead would never be known.

Superintendent Mason, of the Phoenix line, said to-day that it would be impossible to state definitely the loss by the fire in less than two weeks. He was asked if he thought \$1,250,000 would cover the damage, and he replied that he did not think it would.

The British Queen was worth \$800,000, and there was a great quantity of valuable merchandise on that vessel, on the pier and on lighters that were destroyed. This included cotton, hides, oils, grains and a quantity of harvest machinery.

NARROW ESCAPES.

Many Families Driven From Their Homes By Fire—Police Rescued Three Women.

Chicago, March 17.—Twenty-four families occupying the St. Catharine flats at 40th street and Grand Boulevard were driven from the building by fire early to-day. A frigid wind was blowing and the firemen had to work hard to confine the flames to the St. Catharine's. The tenants had barely time to escape and shivered in their nightclothes until the neighbors were aroused, and gave them shelter. William Scanlon jumped from a third story window and broke one of his legs. George Patton, a policeman, rescued three women who were penned in on the third floor. They lowered them by means of a rope of bed sheets. It broke when he attempted to slide down after them, and he sustained a broken ankle. The total loss was \$60,000.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Established by Spanish Government on State Domains and Mines, War-shops, Etc.

Madrid, March 17.—The Gazette to-day published a decree establishing an eight-hour day for all working people on the state domains and in the state mines, workshops, etc., and providing that each hour of overtime is to be paid for at the rate of one-eighth of the daily wage.

JAP OWNED STILL.

Vancouver, March 19.—The police this morning captured a Japaese who owned the illicit whiskey still seized last week near Barrett.

The Japaese was hid by his friends in Vancouver and last night the police gave them until to-day to give him up. He was produced this morning. Engineers working on Yukon river steamers and wintering in Vancouver, Victoria and Puget Sound, decided at a meeting here yesterday to go north this season at the minimum rate of \$1,500.

Gunpowder was discovered from the falling of a spark on some materials mixed in a mortar.

DUEL ON A BRIDGE.

Two Men Fight With Revolvers and One Will Probably Die.

Sacramento, Cal., March 17.—There was a bloody duel to-day on the bridge which spans the Sacramento river between this city and the town of Washington, Yolo county.

Robert W. Woods, a railroad blacksmith, was met on the bridge by Van O. Dodge, who conducts a wood carrying shop, and they began shooting. Dodge had two pistols and fired ten shots. Woods fired five times. Dodge was shot through the stomach and will die. Woods was shot in the head and in the hip, but it is not thought the wounds will prove fatal.

The men quarrelled over Dodge's daughter.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.

Nanaimo, March 19.—The four-year-old daughter of Mr. Massim was burned to death at Extension last night.

While playing with some other children, the girl set the small fire going, but she was badly burned before the flames could be extinguished by dasher water of her. She died a few hours after her injuries.

ROBBERS TO BLAME.

Blowing Open of Hotel Safe Started Fire—Damage Estimated at \$150,000.

Marissa, Ills., March 19.—Safe robbers are responsible for a fire which destroyed \$150,000 worth of property in Marissa last night. The thieves entered the Commercial hotel, where fifty persons were asleep, shortly before midnight, and blew open the safe, obtaining \$2,500. The robbers escaped, leaving the building in flames.

The fire spread rapidly, and was not controlled until a dozen business buildings and several residences, with their contents, were destroyed. The property destroyed included the Commercial hotel, Brown & Company's grain elevator, Hamilton & Co.'s bank, and Lyon & White's lumber yard. The loss is well covered by insurance. Several persons had narrow escapes from death.

"WEARING OF THE GREEN."

Vancouver Militiaman Ordered to Turn in His Clothes For Refusing to Remove Shamrock.

Vancouver, March 18.—A sensational incident occurred last evening at the drill of the militia. Private McCombie, an Irishman, appeared wearing a shamrock in his buttonhole, where fifty persons requested him to remove it. He refused on the ground that it was St. Patrick's Day. The matter was then referred to Lieut. Charles Watson, and he ordered the man to remove the shamrock. McCombie again refused, and was finally ordered by Col. Woodson to turn in his clothes, which he did to-day.

BRITISH COLUMBIA LEGISLATORS.



HON. J. S. DUNSMUIR, PREMIER, South Nanaimo.

PERHAPS for the first time in its history, British Columbia has as First Minister a gentleman whose principal qualification for that office is his immense holdings in British Columbia. On the defeat and resignation of the Martin government in June, 1900, ex-Governor McInnes sent for Mr. Dunsmuir to form an administration, and although the step was an exceptional one the electors generally seemed prepared to accept the selection...

ALTHOUGH by no means the oldest member on the government side of the House, the present Attorney-General may properly be regarded as the veteran of the legislative force, for he is their ablest debater, and by virtue of his long occupancy of his present portfolio the ripest parliamentarian of those who sit to the right of the Speaker. He is, in fact, the only minister who can properly be described as experienced, for the remainder are more or less tyros in the art of government...

HON. D. M. EBERTS, ATTORNEY-GENERAL, South Victoria. He was called to the B. C. bar in 1882 and 1884 the Hudson Bay Company. He was elected to the legislature of British Columbia at the general election of 1890, 1894, 1898 and 1900, was Attorney-General in Hon. Mr. Turner's government from 1893 to 1898, when the Turner government was dismissed, and re-appointed in 1900 to that portfolio on Mr. Dunsmuir being called on to form a government. He is a Conservative.

IT is a noteworthy fact that the government and opposition have selected as their whips two of the jolliest members in the respective parties. Mr. Ellison, the government whip, is a man of wit and vivacious, tells a story in capital form and is the life of any gathering to which he is present. In the House he is very impatient of criticism, but only the greatest pressure brings him to his feet, although he is a past master at interjecting sarcasm in an opponent's remarks. Frequently he will half rise to his feet, stung by the attacks of members opposite, only to sink back again into his place after the first impulse to reply has passed. When in form he is a most aggressive speaker, of almost inexhaustible resource and with a swinging sledge hammer style which makes him invaluable in a political campaign. His greatest efforts have been on the platform...

VICTIM OF SHOOTING APPRAY IS DEAD

WAS SHOT IN HOTEL AT CALGARY, SUNDAY

Calgary, N. W. T., March 20.—Arthur Simpson, the victim of the shooting outrage of Sunday last, died about 12:40 to-day. It is considered probable that he lived so long. All yesterday his temperature increased and this morning the hopes were held out for his recovery. Simpson was a tent maker by trade, and an Englishman.

Increasing Capital. Halifax, N. S., March 20.—The Halifax Electric Tram Co. has a bill before the legislature increasing its capital by \$500,000 to \$1,600,000.

Wireless Telegraphy. A. Vyrian, who is to have charge of construction work at the Marconi wireless telegraph station at Cape Breton, arrived here last night. Marconi is to arrive in Cape Breton to-night.

Storms in Nova Scotia. Bridgewater, N. S., March 20.—No trains are being moved out of here to-day because of freshets. Nine inches of rain have fallen since Monday night in this district.

Hon. G. H. Murray. Yarmouth, N. S., March 20.—Hon. G. H. Murray, member of Nova Scotia, arrived from Boston yesterday and left for Halifax this morning. His health is much improved.

Coming West. Kingston, March 20.—Rev. D. G. McPhail, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Pictou, has resigned and leaves early in May for the Northwest.

Reciprocal Switching. London, March 20.—Agitation for reciprocal switching between the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. has been revived here.

Singular Action. Toronto, March 20.—Miss Beemer, of Brantford, took a train from Brantford to Niagara Falls on Sunday, March 20th, on the T. H. & B., and M. C. R. for the bedside of her brother, who is seriously ill. She understood the conductor to say she had to change at Welland, and by doing so did not reach the bedside till after her brother's death. An inquest for \$3,000 damages for mental anguish before Judge Street, who gave judgment yesterday in favor of the defendant with costs.

Board of Trade. Fifty-two merchants yesterday joined the board of trade, bringing the membership up to nine hundred.

A Transfer. The Mail and Empire learns that a deal was consummated last week whereby the Orford Copper Company, of New Jersey, has taken over the business of the Orford Copper Company's business at Sudbury.

Preparing for Work. There is considerable activity along the water front preparing steamers and schooners for the season, and vesselmen state that if the weather is favorable there will be open steamers well clearing for Montreal.

CHARGES AGAINST CHINESE OFFICIALS

Complaints Made to Pekin Regarding Minister Wu and Consul-General Ho Yow.

San Francisco, March 20.—Grave charges against Chinese Consul-General Ho Yow, designed also to incriminate Minister Wu Ting Fang, all under the seal of the Six Companies, are on file in the foreign office in Pekin, says the Chronicle in regard to the matter Ho Yow said this morning.

Yes, the minister has been informed by the foreign office that charges are on file and has telegraphed me to investigate and learn their sources. There are a number of charges, the greatest stress being laid on the allegation that I am not conducting the fight against exclusion as aggressively as the complainants think I should. Another charge is that I am neglecting my official duties and not protecting the interests of my countrymen. We are informed by the foreign office that the charges bear the imprint of the Six Companies. I am informed that the signatures and imprint of the companies are foreign. It is quite possible that the charges emanated from disgruntled Highlanders, because of the effort to stop their practices.

NEW JUSTICE. Hon. J. T. Garrow Appointed Successor to the Late Justice Lester. Ottawa, March 20.—Senator Watson was elected chairman of the contingent committee of the Senate to-day.

Mr. Blair, Peal, resumed the debate on the budget to-day in the House.

CONDITION IMPROVED. Cecil Rhodes is Reported to Be Much Better To-Day.

Capetown, March 20.—Cecil Rhodes passed a better night. He slept more than for some time past, consequently there is a distinct improvement in his condition to-day.

Capetown, March 20, 1:10 p.m.—Cecil Rhodes had a good sleep this afternoon. His physicians have promised that, if possible, he will sail for England next week. Dr. Jameson does not consider this to be impossible.

BARGE STRANDED. It Is Feared All Aboard Have Been Drowned. New York, March 20.—An unknown loaded barge stranded on the bar 300 yards east of Mar's life saving station on the south shore of Long Island, about two miles south of Bridgehampton, last night and went to pieces. The Meoos life savers went out to the wrecked barge this morning, but could find no signs of life, and it is feared that all those on board have been lost.

THE ALICE ROOSEVELT. German Guardianship to Be Named After President's Daughter. Wilhelmshaven, Prussia, March 20.—Emperor William has directed that a former torpedo boat, now used as a mine here, shall be re-named "Alice Roosevelt."

THE REDISTRIBUTION BILL BROUGHT DOWN

PROPOSED INCREASE TO FORTY-TWO MEMBERS

The Redistribution Bill was brought down to-day. It provides for the following electoral districts and number of members mentioned:

Table listing electoral districts and member counts: Victoria City (4), Saanich (1), Esquimalt (1), Cowichan (1), The Islands (1), Newcastle (1), Nanaimo City (1), Dewdney (1), Comox (1), Delta (1), Chilliwack (1), West Vancouver (1), Richmond (1), Nelson Westminster (1), Vancouver City (5), Atlix (1), Skeena (1), Cariboo (2), Lillooet (1), Yale (1), Kamloops (1), Okanagan (1), Shuswap (1), Greenwood (1), Grand Forks (1), Revelstoke (1), Sicouan (1), Yale (1), Vancouver City (1), Nelson City (1), Rossland City (1), Kaslo (1), Columbia (1), Cranbrook (1), Fernie (1).

The new districts created by the redistribution are: Saanich, The Island, Newcastle, Atlix, Skeena, the Two Lillooets, Kamloops, Okanagan, Shuswap, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Ymir, Kaslo, Columbia, Cranbrook and Fernie.

IT SCARES PEOPLE

Who come of a consumptive family when they begin to cough and spit phlegm are in pain. But it is a fact beyond dispute that consumption is not and cannot be inherited. The microbe which breeds disease must absolutely be received by the individual before consumption can be developed.

Men and women who have been afflicted with chronic coughs, bronchitis, bleeding of the lungs, emaciation and weakness, have been perfectly and permanently cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures the cough, heals the lungs, and builds up the body with solid flesh.

WHY JOHN DILLON WAS SUSPENDED

HEATED DEBATE IN IMPERIAL COMMONS

Called the Colonial Secretary "A D-Liar" and Refused to Withdraw the Expression. London, March 20.—One of the liveliest scenes witnessed in the House of Commons since the palmiest days of the Irish Nationalists, ended this afternoon with the suspension of John Dillon.

During the discussion of South African affairs, the Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, vigorously protested against the government's conduct in uttering "malignant slanders" in calling the Liberals "pro-Boers."

The colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, in the course of an equally incisive reply, said he desired deliberately to accuse Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman of being no opportunity for slandering his countrymen, the soldiers and the government. Consequently the "malignant slanders" had come from the opposition side.

The Speaker, Sir William Court Gully, here intervened and declared that the term "malignant slanders" was unparliamentary.

Both Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and Mr. Chamberlain thereupon withdrew the words amid cheers.

Mr. Chamberlain, proceeding, referred to the Boers who are fighting on the British side, when John Dillon, Irish Nationalist, interjected: "They are traitors," on which Mr. Chamberlain retorted: "The honorable gentleman is a good judge of traitors."

Then a moment of confusion ensued. When order was partially restored Mr. Dillon demanded a ruling on Mr. Chamberlain's words.

The Speaker said: "An honorable member spoke of soldiers serving under the British flag as traitors. I deprecated the interruption and I deprecated the retorts of the other member."

Mr. Dillon then said: "I will tell the right honorable member that he is a damned liar."

A dead silence followed this remark. Such unparliamentary language seemed to stun the House.

The Speaker invited Mr. Dillon to withdraw the expression, but the latter said: "I will not withdraw."

"Then I must name you," said the Speaker.

The government leader, Mr. A. J. Balfour, then said: "I beg to move that Mr. Dillon be suspended from service in the House."

The motion was carried by 248 to 48 votes.

Mr. Dillon immediately, by direction of the Speaker, left the House, amidst wild Nationalist cheers, and Mr. Chamberlain resumed his speech.

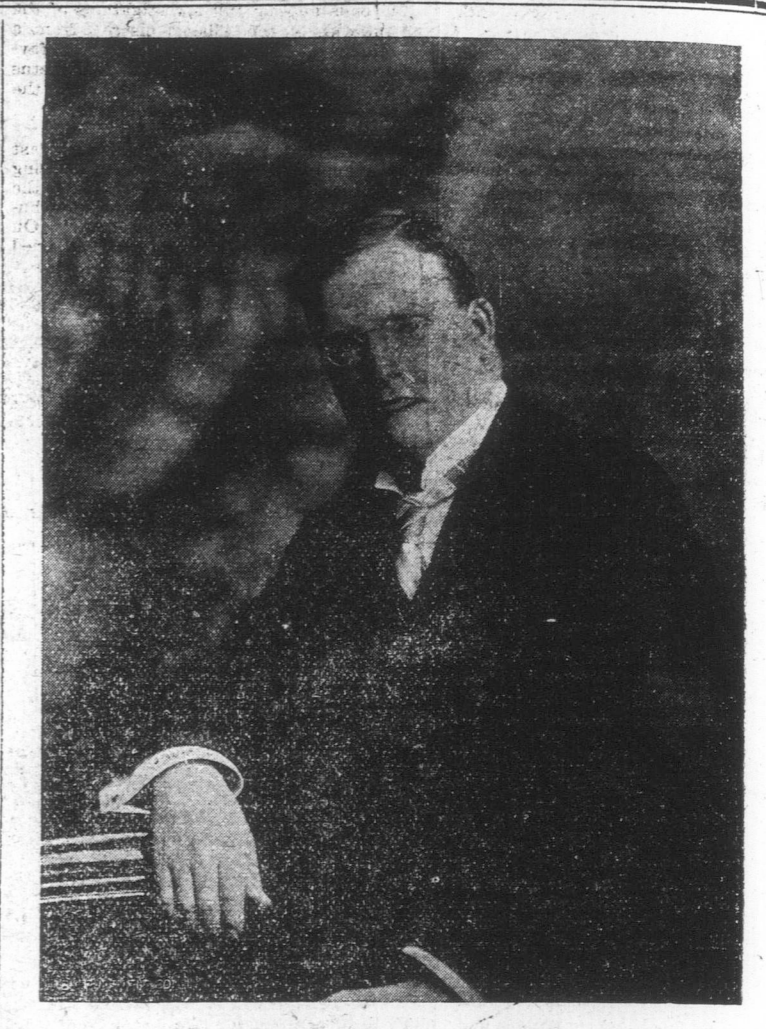
Mr. Dillon's suspension under the present rules cannot exceed a week. His offences would have been much more severely dealt with had the new rules been in force.

THE FAR EAST.

Russia and France Say Anglo-Japanese Treaty Supports Their Contentions. St. Petersburg, March 19.—The Official Messenger to-morrow will print the text of a Russo-French conjoint declaration sent March 16th to the Austrian, Belgian, British, United States, Spanish, German, Italian, Dutch, Chinese and Japanese governments.

The allied Russo-French governments are wholly pleased to discern that the Anglo-Japanese convention supports the essential principles, which according to the reiterated statement of France and Russia, constituted and still constitute the foundation of their policy.

Both governments believe that the support of these principles is also a guarantee of their interests in the Far East. They are compelled, however, not to lose from view the possible national action of other powers, or a repetition of disorders in China, possibly impairing China's integrity and free development to the detriment of their reciprocal interests.



CHIEF JUSTICE HUNTER.

GORDON HUNTER, the new Chief Justice, who was sworn in this morning, was born in Beausville, Ontario, on Mar. 4th, 1832. He is the eldest son of J. Howard Hunter, M. A., government inspector of insurance for the province of Ontario; and Anne Hunter (nee Gordon). He was educated at the Brantford Collegiate Institute and Toronto University, winning during his course at the latter institution the gold silver and Lansdowne gold medals for proficiency, graduating in 1855 with the degree B. A. and honors. Leaving college he studied law in the office of Messrs. McCarty, Osler, Hosken & Croelman, of Toronto, and was admitted to the Ontario bar in 1858. Coming to British Columbia and settling in Victoria, he was admitted to the bar of this province in 1862. He was the first official law reporter for the province, and resigned that office to accept the position of crown solicitor for the province. This latter position he resigned in 1894, going into partnership with the late Hon. Theodore Davie, the partnership lasting till the appointment of Mr. Davie to the position of Chief Justice upon the death of Sir Matthew Baillie Begbie. In July, 1883, Mr. Hunter married, Mrs. Ida Nelson, daughter of Charles Frederick Johnson, of Portland, Oregon. Of late years Mr. Hunter has been editor of the Law Reporter and examiner for the Law Society. He was created a Q. C. in 1900.

NEW CHIEF JUSTICE WAS SWORN IN TO-DAY

Ceremony Was Private—Mr. Justice Drake Disposed of Number of Applications in Chambers. The commission appointing Gordon Hunter, K. C., to the position of Chief Justice of British Columbia arrived from Ottawa last evening, and the new Chief Justice took oath of office this morning.

The ceremony did not take place in open court, but was performed in private in the office of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walker, senior puisne judge, in the law courts, only the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Walker, who administered the oath, and the deputy registrar of the Supreme court being present.

Mr. Justice Drake presided in Chambers this morning, when the following applications were disposed of: Re Elizabeth H. Brydon, deceased. An application to cancel the administrator's bond on file was stood over. W. M. Griffin, for the applicant.

B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., vs. Wilson. G. H. Barnard, for plaintiffs, applied for judgment under Order XIV. H. G. Lawson appeared for the defendant, and opposed the application, reading an affidavit by defendant alleging grounds of set-off against the plaintiff's claim, and other matters upon which the right to defend the action was claimed. Leave to sign judgment for part of the amount claimed by plaintiffs was given, execution thereon to be stayed pending determination of the matters claimed as set-off, with leave to defendant to defend as to the balance of the claim.

Relex Mining & Development Co., winding-up. An application on the part of a creditor to sell claims of the company was stood over by consent until to-morrow. H. G. Lawson, for applicant; G. H. Barnard, for the liquidator of the company.

Preston vs. Preston, Broughton correspondent. The application by Frank Higgins, on behalf of the petitioner, adjourned yesterday, again came up, and His Lordship directed the petition to be set down for trial on oral evidence before a judge without a jury at the next sittings of the court. Mr. Higgins was obliged to leave for Dawson shortly, but His Lordship pointed out that the Full court sits here on Friday, and in Vancouver next week, and will probably be in session until the Assizes commence in May, and therefore no special sittings could be granted, except upon special grounds being shown.

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Supreme Court. The trial of Boyle vs. Victoria-Yukon Trading Co. took place before Mr. Justice Drake yesterday afternoon. The plaintiff's claim was on a judgment recovered against the defendant company in the Territorial court of the Yukon. Judgment for the plaintiff for \$300.50, the full amount claimed, and costs was granted. F. Peters, K. C., and W. M. Griffin appeared as counsel for the plaintiff; L. P. Duff, K. C., and J. H. Lawson, Jr., for the defendants.

NEARING HOPE. Prince Henry Passed Plymouth To-Day En Route to Cuxhaven. Plymouth, Eng., March 17.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Deutschland, from New York, March 11th, having on board Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia and his suite, arrived here at 12:30 p. m. She remained three quarters of an hour in these waters and then proceeded on her journey. Prince Henry, who was browned, hardly looking and completely rested after his visit to the United States, spent most of his time on the bridge with the captain or first officer of the steamer.

To Meet His Brother. Berlin, March 17.—Emperor William passed Sunday at Kiel schools. This morning he boarded the battleship Kaiser Wilhelm II, to go to Cuxhaven to meet Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia, Admiral von Thomsen and other high naval and military officers will participate in the reception. The cruiser Helia will take Prince Henry ashore after the steamer has anchored before Cuxhaven. Then Emperor William, Prince Henry and the latter's suite will board the Kaiser Wilhelm II, which will immediately sail for Kiel.

LAKE STEAMERS. Firemen Will Receive Forty-five Dollars a Month During Season. Cleveland, Ohio, March 20.—The marine firemen and the vessel owners came to an agreement on the wage scale for the season at convention held yesterday. The firemen will receive \$45 per month. No contract was signed, but it is understood that the scale will remain throughout the season of navigation.

ENTRURIA'S PASSENGERS. Southampton, March 20.—The Royal mail steamship Elba arrived here today from the Azores Islands, having on board the passengers of the disabled Cunard line steamship Entruria.

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WEEKLY WEATHER

Victoria Meteorological Office. 12th to 19th. During this week the weather was generally calm, but on the 12th, the passage of a storm from across northern Alberta caused a gale over the Straits of Juan de Fuca and a general rain extending to California. Upon the 13th the barometer gradually spread southward, where it developed only towards Manitoba. The gale in conjunction with the meteoric area which was in cover Island, caused a slight rise in the temperature of the water, followed by low the freezing point of the water, the temperature of Cariboo and to 12 above the night of Saturday, became milder in this part of the province. This continued unsettled and rain throughout the Pacific temperatures between 11 and 15. At the above area and cold wave was in Manitoba, an important crossing the neighboring coast of snow fell, followed by longed and heavy gale below zero. The lowest recorded during this cold spell was below 20 below at Calgary, on the 17th at Alberta, 24 below at Qu'Appelle at Winnipeg. Victoria-British snow fell 42 minutes; rain, 52 inches; highest temperature, 50 on 15th. New Westminster-Tempera-ture, 11 inches; highest temperature, 26 on 15th. Kamloops-Rain, .62 inch; highest temperature, 52 on 15 on 15th. Barkerville-Snow, 3 inches; rain, .84 on 17th and below on 15th.

Local News

Work on the electric station at Bamfield commenced at once. Joshua Roberts, a high school teacher, will be in charge of the work. The death took place of Francis Joseph Belgan, a native of Victoria, who was killed by a train from where the funeral will be held at rest. The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock at St. Joseph's church. The remains of the late Mrs. J. H. Griffin will be laid to rest at the same place. The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock at St. Joseph's church. The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock at St. Joseph's church.

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