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MAY ESTABLISH NAVAL BASE IN CANAL ZONE

Winston Churchill Has Project
for the Caribbean Sea—Signi-
ficant to American Govern-
ment.

PLAN EXPANSION IN WEST INDIES.

Understood that Large Naval
Loan Will Be Floated in An-
ticipation of German De-
velopment.

London, Dec. 16.—Panama Canal
possibilities begin to loom large in the
eyes of British naval dignitaries and
experts.
One of the sensational develop-
ments of the session of parliament
in January is expected to be a state-
ment of plans of the new first Lord
of the Admiralty, Winston Churchill,
and a feature of significance to the
American government, will be a pro-
posal for the establishment of a great
naval base in the Caribbean Sea, near
the Panama Canal.

Mr. Churchill considers his transfer
from the home office to the admiralty
as a promotion, and is bent on making
a record.

When questioned by Lord Charles
Berkeley as to the views of the admi-
rality upon the question of placing
Port Royal in the condition of a first-
class naval base for the cruisers
protecting British trade routes
through the canal, he replied that it
was a question of policy, not of
the present moment.

It is an open secret, however, that
the government is preparing a large
scheme of naval expansion in the
West Indies. The Unionists are ready
to go much further in the same
direction, if given a chance.

Their naval attitude towards "na-
val volition" is indicated in the over-
whelming vote by which the Lords
rejected the naval bill in the
West Indies. The Unionists are ready
to go much further in the same
direction, if given a chance.

As there seems no doubt that the
new German Reichstag, to be chosen
January 12, will be invited to pass a
navy bill largely extending the limits
thought sufficient prior to the inter-
national conference, the London govern-
ment is taking time by the forelock,
and though Mr. Churchill hopes for
a reduction in the naval estimates,
it is understood that he contemplates
a big naval loan.

THINKS ITALIAN WAR PICTURES ARE FAKE PRODUCTS

Washington, Dec. 16.—Italy, through
its Ambassador, here today appealed
to the state department to stop the
exhibition in the United States of mo-
tion pictures alleging to portray the
massacre of Arabs and Turks in
Tripoli by Italian soldiers. The Am-
bassador insisted the pictures were
"faked" and had been produced by
motion picture firms on American
soldiers.

In replying to this appeal the state
department informed the Ambassador
that while it had no authority over
the making or exhibiting of motion
pictures, it would do what it could
toward stopping the exhibition of the
objectionable pictures.

A copy of the Ambassador's letter
about the objectionable films, was
sent by the state department to the
mayors of New York, Philadelphia,
Chicago and other large cities with
the request that everything possible
be done to stop the exhibition of the
pictures.

THOUSANDS OF WELL ARMED ARABS GET READY AT 'ZIZEN

Paris, Dec. 17.—The Temps' cor-
respondent with the Turks telegraphs
from Azizia under date of Dec. 16th
that thousands of well armed Arabs
have been concentrating there during
the last two days. A body of noted
Arab fighters arrived at Azizia on that
date after 45 days' marching.

KING'S HOST DIES BEFORE HIS ROYAL VISITOR ARRIVES

Delhi, Dec. 17.—King George, who
yesterday left for Nepal, was notified
of the death of his host before his
departure. The death of the Maharaja
of Nepal, Shomsher Jung Bahadur,
on Dec. 11, before his death the
Maharaja expressed the wish that
his illness would not interfere with
the King's visit. The suc-
cession of his son has already been
announced, and the mourning cere-
monies will be hastened. The King
has decided to fulfill his engagement.

PREPARATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF CONFLICT

Trade in Interior of China at a Standstill and Travel is Dan-
gerous—Revolutionists will Resume Fighting on Termination
of Armistice Unless Peace is Made.

Shanghai, Dec. 17.—Tang Shao Yi,
the representative of Premier Yuan
Shi Kai, accompanied by his suite, ar-
rived here this afternoon and was met
by a great concourse of people, in-
cluding the foreign consul. The
streets were densely crowded with
people, who, however, appeared ap-
athetic. Tang Shao Yi made a formal
visit to Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the for-
eign secretary in the revolutionary
cabinet, and agreed to the proposal
that the meetings of the government
representatives shall commence
tomorrow at the Town Hall.

Each side is represented by five
delegates, who include Tang Shao Yi
and Dr. Wu Ting Fang. Dr. Wu made
a formal complaint that Premier Yuan
has violated the armistice by attack-
ing the revolutionary forces in Shan-

Si, Sen-Si and Anhwei. Tang prom-
ised to convey the protest to the pre-
mier.
Grape reports have reached here
from the interior. Trade and com-
merce are at a standstill and economic
conditions are becoming desperate.
Travel is extremely dangerous owing
to looting and discontent among the
soldiers, who are on half pay. In the
northern part of Kiang-Su, Anhwei and
Kiang-Si, the floods continue, and mil-
lions of natives are starving.
Unless peace is arranged and relief
organised, the rigors of winter are
likely to drive the masses of Chinese
in the central provinces to despera-
tion. According to Sinking advices
the revolutionists are making exten-
sive preparations to resume fighting
immediately the armistice is ended.

THIRTEEN TO ONE ODDS NOTHING TO LIEUTENANT MUNOZ

Mexico City, Dec. 16.—Crouched
behind a pillar in the corner of the
court yard of the barracks in Cuhan-
tlan, State of Mexico, Lieut. Ofe-
raldo Munoz, of the Tenth Cavalry
yesterday won a fight with twenty
murderous troopers, in which he killed
three, wounded several and escaped
unhurt.

The men had been drinking and
made a rush for the lieutenant, who,
shouting "viva la Libertad," Lieut.
Munoz ordered them to quarters,
whereupon they opened fire on him.
Firing behind the pillar he took
shots with his revolver and through-
ly scared those he has not hit.

CHRISTMAS SHIP WAS DELAYED IN LEAVING NEW YORK

New York, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The
steamer Lusitania Christmas ship of
two continents, was delayed in going
to sea today on her return voyage,
by a fog which forced her to anchor
in Gravesend Bay near the entrance
to the Narrows. The big liner left her
pier at 6:25 p. m. and spent nearly
two hours groping her way down the
harbor before she was able to start.

Loaded with tons of Christmas pres-
ents, the steamer arrived here from
Liverpool at 7 o'clock yesterday morn-
ing and was scheduled to sail on her
return trip at four o'clock this after-
noon with an equally large load of
Yuletide gifts, for friends and rela-
tives abroad.

After record breaking work at load-
ing and unloading the vessel was in
readiness to sail at that time. But the
weather conditions were not favorable
for negotiating the tortuous channel
beyond the Narrows. The fog grew
still thicker and the ship finally left
her pier, where she had lain impati-
ently two and a half hours over time.
She had on board 350 first and sec-
ond class passengers and 1,000 third
class.

GETTING READY FOR WORK ON THE VALLEY RAILWAY

Special to The Standard.
Frederick, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Miles
Merritt died at her home at Marys-
ville, Sunday morning about ten
o'clock. Deceased had been ill only
a short time, and her many friends
throughout the Province will regret
to learn of her sudden death. Two
sons, Frank and Edwin and one
daughter, Fannie, all of Marysville,
survive. The funeral will be held
Tuesday afternoon.

THE RUSSO-PERSIAN DISPUTE MAY YET HAVE HAPPY ENDING

Paris, Dec. 17.—The Temps says
that the Persian minister at Tehran
has informed the foreign office at Teheran
that the attitude of M. Rasnoff, the
Russian foreign minister, during his
recent visit to Paris, leads to the belief
that a conciliatory solution of the
Russo-Persian question is highly pro-
bable.

BRITISH SPEECHES NEED BACKING OF BRITISH DEEDS

Cologne, Dec. 16.—The Cologne
Gazette inspired Berlin despatches
today, commenting on the London
News article in which Anglo-German
relations are discussed.
"The News copy asserts that the de-
sire for better relations will not be
satisfied until English speeches are
followed by English deeds. One
could believe from reading the News
that the greatest good will exists
between the English and the Ger-
mans, and that the only difficulty
is to find a way to express it."
The News is far from expressing pub-
lic opinion in England, which now, as
formerly, approves the policy which
can be blamed for the present situa-
tion.

"Of course," continues the Gazette,
"there are some prominent English-
men who have preserved the historic
British openmindedness towards us.
Lord Charles Bessborough appears to
have joined these recently, but their
influence is not strong enough to ban-
ish the hypothesis with which the Eng-
lish regard German policies, and what
they believe to be behind them. The
conviction that Germany is threaten-
ing Great Britain, and that the Eng-
lish plan, in so far as they are con-
vinced by a certain section of the
press, that it would be difficult to
shake off. How deep this conviction
is, and how it rises to blind hatred,
can be seen from the libels which
have been uttered against Germany."

MONKTON THE SCENE OF ORDINATION OF ST. JOHN CLERGYMAN

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Dec. 17.—Before a large
congregation, Percy Coulthart, curate
in Trinity church, St. John, and Rev.
David Jenkins, of Woodstock, were
ordained priests in St. George's church
this morning.

The interesting and impressive
ceremony was performed by his Lord-
ship Bishop Richardson, of Frederic-
ton, who was assisted by Revs. E. B.
Hooper, of St. John; A. F. Burt, of
Shediac; W. B. Armstrong, of Pelli-
codiac; and W. B. Sisson, of Moncton.
The sermon for the occasion was
preached by Mr. Hooper.

Mr. Coulthart continues his labors
in St. John, while Mr. Jenkins goes
to the Church of England mission in
Albert county. His Lordship address-
ed a large audience in the Y. M. C. A.
Hall this afternoon, on elements es-
sential to national stability and
strength, and this evening preached to
a large congregation in St. George's.

VARIOLORED HUES TABOO FOR UNIFORMS OF CANADIAN TROOPS

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The Minister
of Militia is putting into effect a re-
gulation with regard to the selection of
uniforms for the militia. Under the
old system the cloth of the uniforms
was purchased without any stipulation
as to color standards, the result be-
ing varied hues of red or of green, and
this has caused comment on review
days. Hereafter the cloth will be
manufactured in Canada specially for
the militia under the supervision of a
textile expert.

EVIDENCE TO CONJECT RICHESON

Capsule Filled with White
Powder Found in Rooms of
Accused Clergyman in Cam-
bridge, Mass.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 16.—A capsule
filled with white powder and a sou-
venir postcard written by Miss Avis
Linnell, are to be figures in the pro-
minent exhibits to be offered by the
prosecution at the trial of Rev. C. V.
T. Richeson for murder, which will be
held on Jan. 15th with Judge A. San-
derson, presiding.

PICTURE POSTCARD FROM AVIS LINNELL

The capsule was found in Richeson's
desk at his room in the home of Mr.
and Mrs. Frank Carter, 147 Magazine
street, Cambridge, and the postcard,
together with a volume of other cor-
respondence was among the property
of the accused preacher which the
police seized when they ransacked his
lodgings. They carried off books, man-
uscripts and other personal effects
sufficient to load a van which with
Captains Armstrong and McGarr, as
guard, was driven to the court house
in Pemberton square. The confiscated
articles are now held by the prosecu-
tion as evidence.

John L. Lee and Beverly Harrison,
counsel for Richeson, left for their
homes in Virginia today to spend
Christmas, having with the assistance
of William A. Morse and Phillip R.
Dunbar, of Boston, got the defense of
the clergyman in such shape that they
will be ready for the case when it is
tried.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE GIVES MEXICO A BAD SHAKING UP

Mexico City, Dec. 15.—Mexico was
rocked from ocean to ocean and from
mountain to mountain by the tremors
of Tehuantepec in the south, by an
earthquake today. One old woman
was so badly injured in a falling in-
terior that she may die. Mrs. Dora
Chenoweth, wife of an American dentist,
succumbed to heart trouble aggravated
by the shock. A few flimsy Mexi-
can buildings were thrown down.

Telegraph and telephone wires were
snapped and for a time the city was
without light and electric power on
account of the breaking of cables, but
aside from the throwing down of a
few adobe walls no serious damage
was done.

BIG STEAMSHIP MERGER COMBINES MANY VESSELS

New York, Dec. 17.—A settlement
has been effected between Nat Good-
win and Edna Goodrich, by which the
latter receives \$115,000 in cash and
real estate to the value of \$500,000,
according to the American this morn-
ing, which gives Miss Goodrich's at-
torney as authority for the statement.
Miss Goodrich secured a divorce
from her actor husband last March.
The settlement is in lieu of a marriage
settlement of half the income from \$850,
000 worth of real estate and stocks, it
is stated. According to the quoted
statement of the attorney, Goodwin
sometimes ago turned his stock hold-
ings into standard bonds, and Los
Angeles, Cal., real estate.

STOLE CHICKENS THEN OBJECTED TO BEING ARRESTED

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, Dec. 17.—Two men went
into a grocery store on Saturday night,
and stole a pair of chickens. The police
appeared on the scene when the pris-
oners commenced to fight. A com-
rade interfered in their behalf and
lively melee ensued, with the result
that over 1000 people witnessed the
arrest of all three.

GEN. REYES IS BUSY RAISING RECRUITS

Mexico City, Dec. 16.—A special de-
patch to the Herald from Monterey
says that a high official at that place
has received word from the vicinity
of Guislaun in the State of Nueve
Leon, that General Reyes has arrived
there, and is engaged in recruiting.

RESULT OF CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

List of Those Who Passed In-
cludes Many from the Mari-
time Provinces.

Numerous Names of St. John
Persons Appear as Passing
for Clerkships and Outside
Service.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The result of the
November civil service exams held at
different centres throughout Canada
have been published, the list of those
passing including J. J. Callaghan,
Charlottetown; R. S. Hood, Yarmouth,
N. S.; B. G. McIntyre, Charlottetown,
Stenography sub-division B, of 3rd
division—M. Carter, St. John, West, N.
B.

Clerkships, sub-division B, of 2nd
division—C. E. Stoves, Surrey, N. B.;
Henry E. Munro, Tainmouth, N. B.;
B. M. Harmon, Woodstock, N. B.;
Qualifying examinations for the out-
side civil service—St. John, N. B.,
S. A. Anderson, W. L. Brown, G. P. Rut-
land, C. G. Day, G. L. Elliott, Mar-
garet Kennedy, E. A. McLeod, J. W.
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ANOTHER GERMAN SCARE SAID TO BE A MERE ROMANCE

Cologne, Dec. 17.—The Rheinisch
Westphalisch publishes a story of
an alleged discovery of a plan to
blow up the part of Great Britain to blow
up Wilhelmshaven.

The Zeitung professes to have re-
ceived its information from one of
the best informed officials, who said
that the postal authorities, becoming
suspicious of repeated money orders
in favor of deck officers and chiefs,
finally seized some of the
money orders through the postal de-
partment.

These showed that the plans to blow
up the entrance to the Wilhelmshaven har-
bor, as well as plans of the water sup-
ply, and the contents of the secret
code book, had been betrayed to the
British admiralty.

London, Dec. 17.—The story that
the British admiralty has secured
plans of the locks and water supply,
and the secret signal codes of Wil-
helmshaven with the idea in view of
blowing up the harbor entrance,
and thus blowing up the German
fleet, is regarded here as a mere
romance. It is further alleged that
to avoid this supposed danger the
German fleet kept for weeks to the
open sea during the recent crisis.

These stories are supposed to have
been betrayed by German officers to
the German newspaper, the Zeitung,
which is strongly anti-British and the
organ of the war material trade.

THIRD WIFE WASN'T SATISFACTORY BUT COSTLY IN DISCARD

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LARGE STORE-HOUSE AND OTHER PROPERTY BURNED AT HUDSON

Hudson, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Fire start-
ing at 4 o'clock this afternoon in a
large storehouse of the New York and
Hudson Steamship Company here,
burned that building and its contents,
spread in the Washburn ice house,
which was also destroyed, and to the
Hudson Wholesale Grocery Company's
building, all but one end of which was
saved. The total loss is estimated at
more than \$200,000.

READY TO OVERTHROW MEXICAN GOVERNMENT

Laredo, Tex., Dec. 17.—Private ad-
vices received here last night say that
General Geronimo Trevio, in com-
mand of the federal army in Mexico,
is closing on the town of Galeana,
where General Bernardo is declared
to have established headquarters,
preparatory to launching a rebellion
against the government of Mexico.

CHANCE OF A SECOND TERM POOR

Clifford Pinchot Informs Meet-
ing of the Republicans That
Nomination of Taft Would
Be Impossible.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 16.—That the
developments of recent months have
made impossible the re-nomination of
Mr. Taft and that the country is turn-
ing rapidly to La Follette as the next
Republican presidential nominee, were
among the declarations made by Clif-
ford Pinchot, former chief of the U. S.
forest service, before a gathering
of progressive Republicans in Trem-
ont Temple last night.

FORMER CHIEF OF U. S. FOREST SERVICE.

Party Must Meet Demands of
Age if Period of Usefulness
is to Last, He Says.

"Unless the Republican party will
meet the demands of the times by
throwing itself squarely into the pro-
gressive movement, its time of use-
fulness is past," said the speaker.
"Modern conditions demand modern
treatment. The Republican party
needs to be cleaned of its open sores."
The gathering was so large that an
overflow meeting was necessary.

DEATH LIST OF MINE DISASTER AMOUNTS TO EIGHTY-FOUR MEN

Brieville, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Twenty-
one more bodies were found today in
the Cross Mountain Mine, in which an
explosion occurred a week ago this
morning.

This brings the death list to 84 and
President Stevenson of the Knoxville
Iron Company, owner of the mine, is
stated tonight he believed this ac-
counted for every man entombed.

Five were rescued. The company
has claimed from the first that but
85 men were in the workings when
the explosion occurred, but the miners
say there were more.

Fifty-nine women were made wid-
ows, and 147 children left fatherless,
as a result of the disaster. In addi-
tion there are ten or twelve other de-
pendents. It is probable all bodies
will be removed by Sunday night.
Only one killed carried life insurance.
The relief fund has passed the \$20,000 mark.

SUFFRAGETTES GROW VERY MILITANT AND ATTACK CHANCELLOR

London, Dec. 16.—David Lloyd
George, chancellor of the exchequer,
was seriously injured while leaving
a woman's Liberal meeting here this
evening, at which he had just made
an address. A male suffragist hurled
a brass bound box at the Chancellor,
which struck him full in the face cut-
ting his lip and badly injuring his
eye. A doctor who attended the
Chancellor's injuries said that he had
a narrow escape from losing the eye.
Sir Edward Grey and Lloyd George
both addressed the meeting in favor
of including female franchise in the
government's suffrage bill next year.
The police had taken extraordinary
precautions to exclude militant suffra-
gists from the meeting but evidently
some of them forced their way
through the barriers.

AFRICAN STATES GROWING HOSTILE TO THE ITALIANS

London, Dec. 16.—No confirmation
has been received here of a report
from Constantinople that the Turks
and Arabs have been successful in
an attack on the Italian position at
Benghazi.

The scene of the reported hostil-
ties was formerly the gateway for
the receipt of supplies and reinforce-
ments by the Turks. The unrequit-
ed positions of the frontier between
Egypt and Tripoli, have now been
sealed up by Viscount Kitchener, Bri-
tish agent and consul general who had
adopted measures of the strictest neu-
trality.

Outside of the immediate threats
of war, it is reported that the Italian
commercial interests continue to suf-
fer owing to the hostility of Moham-
medan populations of Zanbar.

Zanbar and other ports on the
African coast are so incensed against
the Italians, that the Italian mail
boats have been obliged to cancel
their calls.

STEAMER SINKS IN HALIFAX HARBOR, ONE MAN ABOARD ESCAPES

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 16.—The three-
masted steamer schooner Joseph
Jordan, of Machias, Me., was struck
by a New York, Philadelphia and
Norfolk Railroad car float during a
dense fog today. She lost her jib-
boom and most of her gear. The
Jordan, bound from Philadelphia to
Paramaribo, Brazil, with coal was
lying off Thimble light in lower
Chesapeake Bay for harbor. The car
float was being towed by a tug from
Cape Charles to Norfolk.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1911.

SOLVING THE IMMIGRATION PROBLEM.

A hopeful and encouraging sign of the times is the interest which is now being shown in many ways and in many quarters in the agricultural and industrial development of New Brunswick. Enterprise and co-operation in securing new industries appeal more directly to the centres of population. The importance of a greater influx of immigration—to people the country and give an impetus to the development of the natural resources of the Province—must be felt by every section of the community. In an increase of population lies the solution of many problems which confront New Brunswick, not the least of which is the loss in Federal representation.

In the past New Brunswick, in common with the Maritime Provinces, has not received from the Dominion Government that share of attention in regard to immigration which was lavishly given to the West. There is no disputing that fact. It is admitted. It is only necessary to quote from a speech made by Mr. Oliver, the late Minister of the Interior, during the present session, to demonstrate that the policy pursued was solely to build up the West. Speaking of the development of the Western country, Mr. Oliver took great credit to himself and his Government that they had been "able to change the country that had lain in grass during the centuries." He had evidently not "in respect to the statement made by my hon. friend (Mr. Oliver) that his immigration policy was directed entirely in the interests of Western Canada, that Canada found herself, that Canada began to grow, that Canada began to take the place she now occupies." The Maritime Provinces, according to this doctrine, were to be left to take care of themselves. Their growth was not a matter of supreme importance. We believe the people of the Maritime Provinces, of all shades of political opinion, recognize that in this regard injustice has been done and will give hearty co-operation to any movement which makes for improvement in existing conditions.

A movement to this end has now been inaugurated by the Dominion Government in the appointment of Mr. Arthur Hawkes as a special immigration commissioner to enquire into the conditions in each Province and submit a report on the whole immigration question. The policy of the Government, as clearly stated by Mr. Rogers, the Minister of the Interior, is to build up Eastern as well as Western Canada. Referring to Mr. Hawkes' appointment in reply to Mr. Oliver, he left no doubt on that point. He said: "In respect to the statement made by my hon. friend (Mr. Oliver) that his immigration policy was directed entirely in the interests of Western Canada, I may say that the immigration policy of the present Government will differ somewhat in that respect from the policy followed by the hon. gentlemen opposite during their term of office; our policy will be one calculated to assist and promote immigration in all parts of this Dominion of Canada, irrespective of Western Canada or Eastern Canada."

Mr. Hawkes took up his appointment four weeks ago and has already travelled from Ottawa to Victoria, B. C., gathering en route impressions and first hand information relative to immigration. He has held conferences with six Provincial Cabinets during the past month and met numerous farmers' delegations. This week Mr. Hawkes makes his first visit as immigration commissioner to the Maritime Provinces. On Tuesday a conference in St. John, at which representatives of the Government of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and P. E. Island will be present, has been arranged. Provincial officials connected with the agricultural and immigration departments will also attend. The whole situation as it affects the Maritime Provinces will be discussed. The hearty co-operation which every Provincial Government in Canada has given to this movement to consolidate and improve the immigration policy of the Dominion, will go far to ensure the best results.

An opportunity will also be given Mr. Hawkes to meet the members of the Board of Trade, the commercial and industrial firms in St. John have much to gain by an increase in immigration. Their views will be of value. The general interest which has been aroused indicates that they are fully alive to the importance of the problem which confronts New Brunswick.

Mr. Hawkes is as high an authority on immigration matters as any man in Canada. An Englishman by birth, he has spent many years in the North West and more recently occupied the position of publicity agent to the Canadian Northern Railway. About a year ago he established the "British News of Canada," in which he maintained an active propaganda for the movement of British people, desiring to improve their fortunes, from England to Canada. His appointment has met with universal approval. The Montreal Herald, the leading Liberal newspaper in the Province of Quebec, pays him the following marked tribute: "Taking into consideration Mr. Hawkes' special knowledge, his training and his keen interest in the subject of immigration, it would have been hard for Mr. Rogers to find a man better qualified for the work which the new commissioner is being asked to perform." With a practical system of co-operation between the Federal and Provincial Governments, which will be one of the main features of Mr. Hawkes' report, we may look forward with confidence to a steady and increased flow of immigration to New Brunswick in the future and a general improvement of agricultural conditions in the Maritime Provinces.

NAVAL POLICIES.

The decision of the Government to abandon the naval policy of the late Administration has been very favorably received by the British press. While there is some speculation as to the future policy that will be pursued, the expediency of giving full and careful consideration to the subject is generally recognized. The attitude of the British press towards the naval policy of the Laurier Government was one of polite acquiescence. Regarding it as the scheme which was endorsed by public opinion in Canada, they did not criticize it, but strove to make the best of it. But it was clear from the first that they did not regard it with enthusiasm. The attitude of the Imperial naval authorities was the same. The Laurier scheme was not the one they had suggested when their advice was sought; it was not even the second alternative scheme; it was the third. Naturally they now hope for something better from the Borden Government.

The underlying difference between the policy of the Laurier Government and the policy which was advocated by Mr. Borden is thus set forth by the London Times: "The Laurier Cabinet, after consultation with the Admiralty at the naval conference of August, 1905, drew up a plan for a squadron of small protected cruisers, destroyers, etc., to be controlled by Canada alone—an arm-

ment," as Sir Wilfrid described it, "to defend, if necessary, the rights of Canada and to be of assistance to the old Mother Country if ever it is required," though he added, ten days later, that the Canadian navy would not go to war unless the Parliament of Canada chose to send it. Almost at the same moment, Mr. Borden was demanding that the Canadian unit should be made "powerful and effective," and declaring, "if the Empire fights, we must fight." In those two phrases lay hid the germ of the Borden, as distinguished from the Laurier, naval policy. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, mainly concerned with maintaining local control, was content with a squadron that could be useful only for minor operations along the Canadian coast and power, grew month by month more discontented with the petty ships on which the then Government proposed to spend the country's money. When the Australian Parliament, which had at one time favored a local squadron for coastal defence only, began to consider seriously the developments of the "unit" agreed on in 1905 (which even then was to be a much more powerful squadron than the Canadian unit) into something approaching a first-class battle fleet, the inadequacy of the Laurier scheme must have become overwhelmingly apparent."

THE HOME RULE ISSUE.

A recent announcement by the Asquith Ministry that a Home Rule for Ireland bill would be introduced with a view to its enactment in the lifetime of the present Parliament and the prompt reply of Mr. Bonar Law, Leader of the Opposition, that the Conservative party intended to fight the Home Rule proposal to the last gasp, are indications of the renewal of a lively discussion on this question in the Old Country.

The declaration of Mr. Bonar Law, as the Vancouver News-Advertiser in discussing the situation points out, means that the House of Lords will reject the measure to the point allowed by the Lords' veto bill. The right of the Peers to reject a measure three times, and to hold it up for two years is recognized. One year of the life of the British Parliament has expired. Under the new understanding five years may be regarded as its extreme lifetime. We may allow one year for the Government to prepare the measure and fight its way through the Commons. It seems to follow that if Mr. Asquith expects to pass the Home Rule measure without an appeal to the country on the question, he will not lose much time in beginning.

It is not likely that the Government can avoid an election on this issue. Opposition to Home Rule has not been in the least weakened among the Protestant population of Ulster. Not many months ago one of the largest meetings ever held in Ireland declared that the attempt to place Ireland under a local Parliament would be resisted by every force available. It was made plain as words could speak it that there would be armed revolution in Ulster in case Mr. Asquith's programme were carried through. This suspension of lawlessness is singular, coming from a former Attorney General, but it is serious.

Such armed revolt is not to be anticipated, but it is evident that a strong appeal will be made from Ulster to the rest of the nation, and that it may have its effect on some English Liberals. The first Home Rule bill drove many Liberals from their party. The second Gladstone measure kept them out and confirmed their position as Unionists. A third will make some impression on the present parliamentary following of Mr. Asquith, as a still greater impression on the Liberal electorate. Meanwhile the by-elections show unmistakable signs of reaction in favor of the Conservatives, so that it is more than likely that two or three years hence the Asquith Ministry will need every Liberal, Nationalist and Labor vote in Parliament to carry a controversial measure through the House of Commons.

Current Comment

(Victoria Columnist.)

Collier's claims to be a "national" weekly, and yet it has the effrontery to say that the Bay of Fundy claim is the claim of clams. If this should come under the eye of the gentle Kitchman, who packs her basketful of the delicious bivalve from door to door in these cities by the Western sea, she will please restrain her anger for Collier's conception of clams is derived from comparison of the Bay of Fundy product with the pollywogs of Lake Ontario.

(Toronto Mail and Empire.)

Judge Charbonneau, who is hearing argument in the Hebert case, is reported as having said that he had discovered that the "Ne Temere" decree had civil effects, and was not purely canon law. If a few more discoveries of this nature can be made by the bench, counsel for Mrs. Hebert will have achieved a most gratifying triumph. Canada must not have laws which permit civil effect to the promulgations of any church.

(Ottawa Citizen.)

The most recent single tax victory has been won at Johannesburg, South Africa. A proposition to raise all local taxes from land values has carried at a city election just held. Johannesburg thus assumes in South Africa a position similar to that of Vancouver, in Canada, as leader in the taxation of land values. Other cities in that part of the world can not long refrain from following suit.

(Vancouver Province.)

Sir Wilfrid's navy would have been a needless expense to the country, it would have been a lasting burden upon the public treasury, and in the event of war between Great Britain and another power it could never have been of the slightest service either in our own waters or in foreign seas. As Mr. Monk says, there was no disloyalty in disapproving of such a scheme.

(Hamilton Spectator.)

A sizable amount of soliloquy is being displayed by the Opposition press because Mr. Borden, after being in power all of three months, does not settle state affairs off-hand. Our Grit friends need not worry. The wise man ponders carefully momentous matters. The nation's business cannot be disposed of with the same facility as that of a corner grocery.

(Calgary Herald.)

The year 1911 is selected by a great physicist as the time when the earth will cease to turn on its axis. In contradiction to this view Pastor Russell fixes the date as October, 1914. There is room for an argument between these dates.

(Vancouver Province.)

When the Yukon territory is attached to British Columbia, the voters' list in the North Pole division will be revised and the name of Dr. Cook struck off as an absentee.

(Toronto Star.)

The Marys of the Byrd Empire gave Queen Mary \$58,500. That's what she gets for not calling herself Marie when she came back from college.

(Ottawa Citizen.)

Ottawa has got such a shock to its system by watching the Laurier Government at close range that it is doubtful if it will ever again elect a Liberal.

(London Free Press.)

The Christmas shopper finds that the task postponed loses some of its exhilarating aspect.

ASKS INFORMATION OF PONEY EXPRESS

To the Editor of The Standard.
Sir—About 1848 there was a pony express, between St. John and Victoria Beach for forwarding the Ketchikan news landed at Halifax by the early mail steamer, from Victoria Beach the dispatches were conveyed across the bay to St. John, which was the terminus of the first telegraph line, and from there the news was wired to New York.

The pony express was carried on for two years and the writer is endeavoring to gather all the information possible about that service. There were relay stations every 12 miles between Halifax and Victoria Beach and there must be a number of old readers of your paper who could furnish interesting local details regarding the experiences of the dispatch riders. When carrying dispatches they travelled day and night and drove fast horses selected for the purpose. As the steamer did not arrive at Halifax with regularity, the keepers of the relay stations had to be on the graph line, and from there the hour the dispatch riders came along.

I will be obliged if you will give space to this letter in the hope that it will reach the notice of persons who may be able to give the writer some information on the above subject. I will be greatly indebted to any of your readers who will be good enough to communicate with me regarding same and would especially appreciate hearing from them as soon as possible in order to incorporate all the information in a paper for the January issue of the Nova Scotia Historical Society.

Wishing you the compliments of the season and thanking you in advance,
Yours very truly,
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AMUSEMENTS.

Santa Claus, Princess Elizabeth and New Films at Nickel.

Santa Claus would have been saved hundreds of visits had he visited the Nickel Saturday afternoon where children from all sections of the city, and some came in from the suburbs, assembled to see the pretty little Christmas music-play in which the dear old saint of the season plays the leading part. It was certainly an animated scene in the big theatre. This sketch with St. Nick, Happy Hooligan, Gloomy Gus, Jimmy and the baby, also Jimmy's pal, will be put on again today at 3:15 and 4:15 and right up to next Saturday afternoon. Surprising news has been received that the Nickel management fears this is impracticable, unless it be at the latter part of new bill of motion pictures, including the week. Today there will be a fine Biograph's domestic drama "The Cure of John Douglas." Mr. Bessette has a new song, Princess Elizabeth, the grand daughter of the world, will today commence a programme of French toe dancing, in which she excels. She will have a new singing number also.

Miss Harding Gets Piano.

Through the columns of The Standard, the Townshend Piano Co. of Germantown street, during the past two weeks have conducted a bidding contest by which a \$550 Emala piano was offered to the highest bidder. This contest closed at noon on Saturday, and soon thereafter the bids were opened by the judges previously selected. It was found that the highest bid had been sent in by Miss Mary Harding, of Main street, the amount of her offer being \$250. The piano was delivered at Miss Harding's home on Saturday afternoon. The bids ranged as low as \$50, there being several of \$25.

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MACKINTOSH'S WEEKLY LETTER

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The developments in the local market during the past week go to show that people are in a position to know and are satisfied that the underlying conditions in Canada at the present time are satisfactory and the outlook for the coming year is good.

When the board of directors of the Canadian Pacific go so far as to make an issue of \$10,000,000, it can be only after they are satisfied that the company needs the money to keep up the plans of expansion and improvement, required by the country's steady expansion, and that it will not have difficulty in obtaining the money from its thousands of shareholders.

While the market has not shown any great activity, still a few issues have shown marked strength. C. P. R. made a substantial gain as a result of the announcement of a further stock issue, while Montreal Light, Heat and Power went up in a new high level after the high report of J. Sherwin Williams. Preferred sold at a price which gave subscribers their bonus stock clear.

There are indications that much of the recent buying in Power has been due to accumulation by a strong local group of syndicate. This group is composed of men who are very close to the Light, Heat and Power company, and who are in a position to know of any contemplated plans of the company. This accumulation has been a character for some time past, and it is a dividend must be in store, because even with such a ratio coming the stock is selling fairly high.

Big Decline in Woods.

Among perhaps the less favorable developments was the absolute inactivity of Dominion Iron and Steel, which declined in Lake of the Woods Common, which stock sold down to some twelve points from the recent high level.

Up to the present time Hellewell has not shown any disposition to reflect to any extent the recent increase in the dividend from 6 per cent. to 8 per cent. basis. There are many who believe that for some time past the stock has been purposely neglected, with a view of gradually improving the technical position of the stock, and that it will not be long before the stock is taken in hand by strong interests who will see that it sells on a

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STOCKS DEVELOP STRONGER TONE

New York, Dec. 16.—A strong tone developed in the stock market today after a period of hesitation. Long volume was supplied in considerable quantities and the trading element showed signs of bullishness on the theory that a reaction was due. But these influences were more than offset by the steady demand of the standard stocks.

The movement was of a broad and substantial character, although gains at the end of the day for the most part were not large. Lehigh Valley, Union Pacific, Erie-Des Moines, United States Steel, American Smelting and a few of the specialties made the best gains.

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Thomas Atkinson, sailing master of navigating lieutenant of the Victory, among whose duties the keeping of the deck log book fell by navy rule, fortunately retained this record after the usual copy demanded by the Admiralty, it now comes into the market through the grandson of his daughter, Mrs. Carey, wife of Com. T. W. Carey, R.N. The value would be...

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New York, Dec. 17.—Promoters of the Zbyzco-Ralcevic wrestling match...

FOGLER AND CLARKE WIN THE SIX DAY BICYCLE RACE

New York, Dec. 16.—Joe Fogler, of Brooklyn, and John Clarke, of Madison Square Garden...

SIMMS' MEN LOST WHOLE FOUR POINTS

In the Commercial league fixture on Black's alleys Saturday evening...

BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Dec. 16.—The following are the results of the football matches played this afternoon...

SONG OF SCOTCH CURLERS

As well as having a piper the Scotch curlers will have a song of their own...

TRIMS DEWEY

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Joe Jeannette, of New York, won a decision over Nat Dewey, of Chattanooga...

TO DISCUSS TERMS

Toronto, Dec. 17.—The interprovincial Rugby football union at its annual meeting...

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AROUND THE CITY GERMAIN STREET BUILDING BADLY DAMAGED BY FIRE

Will Leave Tonight.
Rev. David Lang will leave tonight for Toronto having accepted a call to the pastorate of a large church there.

C. M. B. A. Meeting.
At the weekly meeting of Branch 134 C. M. B. A., a number of new members will be initiated, and the new ritual will be used.

Horse Shot.
On Saturday Policeman Corbett was called to a yard off Beverley street, and at the request of the owner, shot a horse that was unfit for work.

Watch Found.
Policeman Linton reports the finding of a watch and chain in the yard of the York cotton mill, and the owner can receive the same by calling at the North End police station.

Sted Taken by Police.
Saturday afternoon acting Sergeant Ross found a small boy coasting on the Carleton street sidewalk and the officer took the boy's hand from him and placed it in the British street lockup.

Thief At Large.
Sometime Saturday night a thief broke into a section of a warehouse of King street, West End, owned by John Dittell and stole a quantity of paints. There is no clue left as to the guilty person, but an endeavor is being made to locate him.

Santa in Trouble.
The police captured a Santa Claus Saturday night. Santa was intoxicated and when locked up he had a large parcel of toys with him. After he pays a fine in the police court this morning he will receive the toys and make his way home.

Public Works Official Here.
H. M. Davy, of the public works department of Canada, is back in the city. Mr. Davy had charge of the big operations in Courtenay Bay and the West Side for some time, and the object of his present visit is to give information to the contractors for the new wharf at Sand Point.

Strayed From Home.
Saturday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock, William Rourke, found a year old Fred Corkery wandering about Charlotte street. The little fellow was astray and was taken to the central police station and later on returned to his home on Main street by Sgt. Caples.

Ceremony Today.
Today at 11 o'clock, Andrew's church, Rev. David Lang assisted by Rev. J. H. A. Anderson will unite in marriage George M. A. and Miss Louise George. Misses Sybil Barnes and Helen Wilson, of Hampton will act as flower girls, and J. A. Thomas and Clifford McAvilly will act as ushers. The couple will be unattended.

Ladies' Auxiliary.
The ladies' auxiliary of the Seaman's Institute met Saturday night and had a discussion regarding the feasibility of holding during the Christmas season for the seamen. Nothing definite was decided on. The ladies will meet again some day this week and complete the arrangements.

Fuse Burned Out.
About 4:40 o'clock Saturday afternoon cross wires caused a fire in one of the small alarm boxes at the top of a pole near the head of the street. An alarm was sent in from box 27 and the fire department were called out. There was no work for the department to do and a lineman from the electric light station looked after the wires.

Saturday Evening Temperance Meeting.
A pleasant temperance meeting was held in the Seaman's institute on Saturday night. The Rev. Dr. Helme addressed the men. A number of pledges were signed and coffee and cakes were served at the close of the meeting. On Sunday evening the Rev. F. H. Wentworth conducted the service. Song service was held before the regular evening service.

Bible Society Secretary in Pulpit.
In Brussels street Baptist church last evening the pulpit was occupied by Rev. A. F. Newcombe, secretary of the Canadian Bible Society. In an interesting sermon he dwelt on the characteristics of the Bible, its unity, its inherent power, and outlined the work of the Canadian Bible Society. The little fellow was astray and was taken to the central police station and later on returned to his home on Main street by Sgt. Caples.

Mr. Hawkes To Address Ladies' Club.
Arthur Hawkes, special commissioner on immigration, has consented to deliver a lecture before a meeting of the Women's Landings Club which will be held in the girls' assembly room on Tuesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. His subject will be Women's Part in Immigration. Mr. Hawkes is a clever speaker with an extensive knowledge of conditions in Canada, and the club are to be congratulated in securing an address from him.

Heaperian Arrives.
The Albia line steamer, Heaperian, Captain Main, arrived in port about 8:30 o'clock last evening from Liverpool via Halifax, and docked at Nos. 2 and 3 berths Sand Point. The steamer had a very rough passage and brought out 5,000 tons of general cargo. Her total number of passengers was about 900. They were all landed at Halifax with the exception of two sailors, 42 second cabin and 45 steerage, who landed here. The steamer brought out a very large Christmas mail, which amounted to about 5,000 packages and baskets. These were landed at Halifax.

Steeped Jack Here.
There is in the city a man of considerable note, he arrived here on Saturday and will remain a couple of days. This person is no other than the famous Steeped Jack Murphy. It is said that he is making arrangements to march steeped in the city, and will return here in the spring and do the work. Murphy is a native of the United States and is about 35 years of age. He is an unassuming young man, with a winning way. He does not care to talk much about his work, which is the most dangerous in the world and the kind of work that can only be accomplished by a man with great nerve and daring. He has travelled all over the world, and has climbed over 500 steeples.

Sunday Afternoon Blaze in McLaughlin Building, Germain Street, Resulted in Building and Stock Loss of Between \$15,000 and \$20,000 -- Harold Climo Probably Heaviest Loser -- Fire Started in Closet -- Firemen Hurt.

Yesterday afternoon about four o'clock fire was discovered in the building at 35 Germain street, owned by the McLaughlin estate, and before the fire was extinguished about \$20,000 damage had been done by fire and water.

The fire was first noticed by a man named Allen, who telephoned to Harold Climo's house that he thought there was a fire in Mr. Climo's studio. Climo rushed to the building to investigate, and going down the rear stairs of the building, he found there was a bad fire. He sent an alarm from Box 23 on the corner of King and Germain streets, and in a very few minutes the fire department were on the scene. As quickly as possible the firemen rushed lines of hose in the building and for over three hours had hard work fighting the flames.

The fire was first seen in a closet on the second floor and it worked from there up a light shaft. When the firemen arrived the flames had worked through between the upper ceiling and the roof and into two or three rooms. It had a big start and had spread through the building so that the firemen had a very hard time.

Two streams were taken through the Germain street entrance and a couple of other streams were taken to the roof, one of them taken up from the alley off Church street and the fire was fought in this manner from an adjoining building.

The smoke at times was almost stifling and seemed to settle in the building, but the firemen stuck to their task, which was no easy one. While the men on the roof fought from the top the other men came from the second floor to the roof.

The fire had such a head when discovered, and the smoke was so dense, that the men could not get into the studio to save any of the Climo goods. Mr. Climo will be the heaviest loser and his loss will be total as his apartments were thoroughly gutted. Not only will his loss of stock and furniture be heavy, but a great number of photographs, ordered for the holiday season as well as the large business done at this time of the year will prove a great loss. His loss will be much greater than his insurance.

Before the firemen could beat out the fire, nearly half of the roof of the building had fallen in and the building was deluged with water. Outside of the fire damage to Climo's parlor, studio, and stock rooms, the other tenants will suffer mostly from water damage.

Frederic Dolg, the printer, was on the upper floor. The western end of his printing establishment was burned through and there was considerable water in the room.

Across the hall from this place were the apartments of T. Nilsson, a fur manufacturer. In here there was no fire, but some water damage.

On the second floor is a work room and stock room of Brock and Paterson, where there was considerable water damage also some fire damage.



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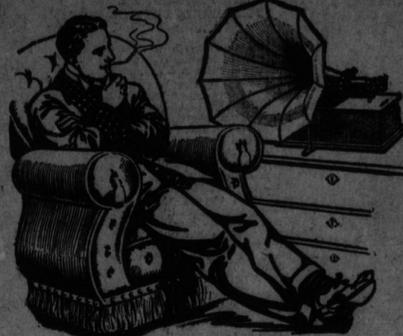
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