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NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY TO END THE STRIKE.

Labor Leader Mitchell Says the Miners Are to Get a Ten Per Cent. Advance--Recognition of Mitchell an Obstacle.

Philadelphia, Sept. 27.—The towering feature of the coal strike situation today and one which attracted the attention of all interested parties, was the widely circulated report that negotiations are pending and rapidly nearing completion for an amicable settlement of the strike.

While the identity of the person or persons who are said to be at work endeavoring to bring about the immediate and peaceful adjustment of the difference between the employers and employees has not been disclosed, it was openly admitted in authoritative sources that such endeavors was in progress.

President Traudelle, of the Lackawanna company, is quoted as making such admission, but in what manner or by whom they were being conducted, he declined to state.

President Mitchell, the head of the striking miners' organization, expressed the belief that the operators had decided to offer the miners an increase of wages, but he, too, declined to admit whether he possessed any further information on the subject.

From Scranton tonight came the statement that at a conference of coal operators of that section the opinion was prevalent that the influence at work were of a strong political nature, and that the operators would be obliged to offer the men at least the concessions of an increase of wages.

The information upon which the operators based their conclusion that the working influences were political, could not be learned tonight.

Completed with nearly all the reports of a probable early settlement of the trouble, came the announcement that the men would be offered an increase of pay, but that the mine owners would positively decline to arbitrate the differences through President Mitchell or, in any manner, give recognition to the United Mine Workers' organization.

This refusal of recognition, however, would not prove a difficult obstacle to overcome.

President Mitchell to the public having expressed his willingness to accept a settlement through separate conferences of committees of the employees and their direct employers.

If the railroad presidents and others who controlled the mines would accept this proposition he said he would make all claim to the recognition of the union.

One condition he exacted, however, and that was that the mine owners should be held the same day and in the same city.

Matters were quiet throughout the strike regions today and the strikers were increased by the closing of a few mines.

Shenandoah, Pa., Sept. 27.—Today's development in the strike situation in this region showed important gains on the part of the mine workers. Two big collieries in the Ashland district mines employing 3,000 men were compelled to close.

In the territory between Shamokin and McAdoo there is but one colliery at work and this is said to be short handed. In the Mahanoy district all the collieries are tightly closed. There is no change in the situation here tonight. Not a ton of coal was mined in Shenandoah today.

The Labor Leader. Hazleton, Pa., Sept. 27.—The Associated Press at ten o'clock tonight secured from President Mitchell the admission that he believes that the mine operators have agreed to make the striking mine workers an offer of a ten per cent. increase in wages.

Further than this, Mr. Mitchell declined to talk. He has been reticent all day on the subject and several times declared that he knew nothing of the rumors of a settlement of the strike.

Railroads in Trouble. Scranton, Pa., Sept. 27.—The announcement that the railroads cannot see their way clear to help close down the washeries by refusing to handle their output caused a call to issue to-day for a meeting of the executive board of the United Mine Workers of district No. 1 for next Saturday to discuss other means of meeting this difficulty.

Influence Against Operators. Scranton, Pa., Sept. 27.—At an informal conference of the local operators tonight the report of the negotiations for settling the strike was discussed and the consensus of opinion was that influence reported to be working toward a settlement are of a political nature and that these interests cannot be trusted to turn from the course they have mapped out, namely fighting to finish the threatened invasion of the anthracite region by the United Mine Workers' organization.

The general opinion here is that the influence referred to are of such a powerful nature that the mine owners will stand out against them and it is believed the strike will be settled. The means of a settlement, it is said, will be as follows:

The big carrying companies will grant a slight reduction in tolls; the operators will raise the price of coal and the wages of the miners will be increased according to the percentage that the reduction in tolls and increase in selling price will permit, the starting to be done with the existing scale of wages as the basis. It will be expected that the Mine Workers Union shall not figure in the negotiations and that the men shall return to work without any ceremony further than a guarantee of the advance in wages that will be professed.

Thursday the people of Kings went to the polls to say whether they desired or not that Dr. William Pugsley, as attorney general should continue to represent them in the provincial house. Mr. Frederick M. Sproul of Hampton, gave them an opportunity to say no. Full returns have not yet been received but it is known that the regard of Kings county voters for their brilliant representative, is not for the wane. Nineteen polling places gave Dr. Pugsley a majority of 748. Two polling places yet to be heard from are expected to increase this. In the general elections Dr. Pugsley had only 157 more votes than Mr. Campbell, who led the poll for the opposition.

A finer day for an election could not be conceived. The vote cast was not so large as in the general elections, but this is attributed to the fact that many of Dr. Pugsley's supporters were so sure of his return that they did not take the trouble to go to the polls, but left the work of polling up a majority to others. There were enough.

Mr. Sproul who has made an energetic campaign, had yesterday the whole machinery of the Conservative organization in Kings at his disposal, and it was worked for all there was in it. In Sussex his interests were looked after by Mr. G. W. Fowler, the man who is going to try and beat Col. Donville in the dominion elections. His success yesterday does not auger well for his chances against the man who drove Mr. George E. Foster from the county.

In Hampton, Mr. Sproul's home, Mr. J. M. McIntyre, who put up the opposition candidate's deposit, had better success. He got a majority. At Greenwhich there was Conservative money.

Rothsey, Dr. Pugsley's native parish, gave him almost its entire vote. Only seven residents indicated feelings against him. The non-residents, chiefly business men from St. John, were strongly in favor of the business candidate.

At Rothsey, Sept. 27.—(Special)—Residents and non-residents combined here today to give Dr. Pugsley a majority of 343. Mr. Sproul, the opposition candidate, at one of the booths, watched the ballots being cast. Col. Markham looked after opposition interests in the other. An incident occurred in the polling place which caused a good deal of comment. Mr. James Shaw, of St. John, brother of William Shaw, M. P. P., was challenged by Mr. Sproul. He not only put the impersonation oath to him, but the bribery and corruption oath as well. Impersonation here, even had it been attempted, would have been impossible, as almost every man who offered a ballot was challenged by the opposition guardians of the polls.

At Sussex, Sept. 27.—(Special)—The election passed off quietly here today. Fred M. Sproul had the whole Conservative organization at work for him. One of his nominees at this poll being George W. Fowler, who is to contest Kings county against Col. Donville. The splendid majority here today for Hon. Wm. Pugsley in the face of the strong fight put up by the Conservative party, augurs well for Col. Donville's chances of also getting a

big majority out of Sussex parish in the Dominion election.

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Albert County Liberals Choose Dr. Lewis. The Conservatives of Colchester Are in No Position to Put up a Fight—Some Political Meetings.

Riverside, N. B., Sept. 27.—(Special)—The Albert county Liberals met in convention here today. Mr. G. D. Steeves was chairman. There was a full attendance and every polling booth sent a full delegation. Resolutions endorsing the administration of affairs by the Liberal government as led by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and approving the conduct of Dr. Lewis as the standard-bearer of the Liberal party at the ensuing general election, which was unanimously adopted by the convention by a standing vote and amid cheers.

Dr. Lewis accepted the nomination in a neat speech. A public meeting was held in the hall, addressed by Dr. Lewis, M. P., Hon. H. R. Emmerson, C. W. Hollis, M. P., P. Alexander Rogers, ex-M. P., C. J. Osmen, M. P., and others. The Hillsboro band and a large delegation by special invitation were in attendance from Hillsboro and intermediate stations.

In Cumberland County. Amherst, Sept. 27.—(Special)—Mr. H. J. Logan, M. P., and Hon. D. C. Fraser have held meetings this week at Wallace, Springhill and Pugsley, receiving most enthusiastic receptions. At each place the discussions in the Liberal party boasted of by the Tories do not seem to materialize to any vast extent. The party was never more united, or enthusiastic while on the other hand the Conservatives find it very difficult to work up any enthusiasm for Mr. Colan.

The Young Men's Liberal Club of Amherst are getting into line and will be heard from on polling day.

Colchester Conservatives Demoralized. Truro, N. S., Sept. 26.—Political armor is being collected and an active campaign will be opened in Colchester next week. The prospects have never appeared so bright for a complete walk over for the Liberals than at present. Colchester has always been a Conservative stronghold in the Dominion house until Mr. McClure, last year, reclaimed it. The Conservatives, at convention, have nominated Seymour E. Goulet, barrister, as their standard bearer, seeking the party's fate here at one blow. In fact it is stated that, little difference who may have been put in the field as the banner of the Conservative color, the present nominee would have brought on inevitable defeat. Mr. Goulet has been working for years for his present unenviable position and his nomination was secured by the most desperate case of wire pulling known in these parts. The struggle between factions in the Conservative association was so fierce that the nominating convention had to be postponed in order to allow disturbances to blow over and to get order out of chaos. Mr. Goulet will

KINGS COUNTY LOYAL TO ITS BRILLIANT SON

Attorney General Pugsley Returned by Almost Eight Hundred Majority—Mr. Frederick M. Sproul Badly Beaten—The Contest Had Many Features of Peculiar Interest.

Table with columns: VOTE, THURSDAY, MAJORITY, LAST ELECTION. Rows list various polling places like Hampton, Cardwell, Waterford, etc., and their respective vote counts for Pugsley and Sproul.

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A Democratic Warning. New York, Sept. 27.—The following telegram was sent to-day from state headquarters to each of the presidents of the Democratic county committees.

To Represent the Government. Ottawa, Sept. 27.—(Special)—Premier Laurier and Hon. Mr. Tarte and Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick will represent the government at the funeral of Hon. Mr. Marsland on Saturday.

PUNITIVE EXPEDITIONS ARE DOING GOOD IN CHINA.

Russia and Great Britain's Conflicting Interests--Germans Have a Promise--Washington Still Guessing.

London, Sept. 28, 4 a. m.—The only despatch of special interest from China this morning is the following from Dr. Morrison, to the Times, dated Peking, Sept. 21:

"The recent punitive expeditions have had an excellent effect in increasing security and facilitating the entry of supplies, but nothing can be counted as effective until Pao Ting Fu has been razed and the foreigners and refugees at Chang Ting and other places known to the Generals are rescued."

Mr. DeClere has addressed a memorial to the Empress Dowager offering her the protection of Russia and requesting her to return to Peking. Forty chief Chinese officials have sent a memorial to the Emperor and Empress Dowager beseeching them to return.

"The conflicting interests of Russia and Great Britain prevent a systematic attempt to reconstruct the railway, although restoration would be easy. It turns out that Chang Yin Huan, whose death in Kasuigi was recently reported, was executed under an imperial decree, at the same time with the other pro-foreign ministers who were executed."

"Cheng Yin Huan was special envoy to England at the time of the Diamond Jubilee. He was later by the Empress Dowager, who called him to Peking in 1900. The Russians, according to the Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post have virtually abandoned the province of Chi Li to Germany."

WASHINGTON'S POSITION. Objection to the Appointment of Prince Tuan.

Washington, Sept. 27.—Minister Conger has been advised by the state department of the substance of the present candidate for the position of minister to the United States last Friday to the governments of Germany, Russia and China respecting China, which clearly indicated to him the general nature of the instructions he is to receive. Moreover, by this time he is informed of the orders issued to General Chaffee to reduce his force to a legion guard in case of final approval, Acting Secretary Hill having completed the draft some days ago and forwarded it to the president.

The note to China specifically pointed out the lines on which this government will issue its instructions to its minister. The government itself is in course of final approval, Acting Secretary Hill having completed the draft some days ago and forwarded it to the president.

It was the belief of the state department late this afternoon that the actual transmission of the instructions would be carried out very soon, probably in the next twelve hours. It is said that the text of the instructions will not be made public at present for diplomatic reasons, but there is no concealment of the general scope of the document, which is on the lines laid down in the three notes.

In this connection, it is said, at the state department that Mr. Conger will put these negotiations in motion without any purpose of acting for any government other than the United States, although the government steadily keeps in mind that the United States is but one of several nations mutually interested in obtaining a common end and it is hoped that the effect of Mr. Conger's making a beginning toward negotiations may be to induce other powers to follow. At the same time the government has never assumed to lay down any mandate as to the course to be followed by all or any of the other powers.

It is believed that the state department already has taken steps through Minister Wu to impress upon the Chinese government the undesirability of the appointment of Prince Tuan as grand secretary and the painful impression this appointment has created throughout this country. The effect of his appointment, if persisted in, it is said, might be to retard seriously the final negotiations, or in fact any negotiations at all.

The government feels that it is much reinforced in its present position by the note from Li Hung Chang in which he gave positive assurances to the United States that he had sufficient authority to protect all American interests and would see that this authority was exercised. The government now looks upon this assurance as a guarantee which must be faithfully performed as a condition precedent to even the establishment of relations with Li Hung Chang and Prince Tuan.

It is believed that the appointment of Mr. Hamar Greenwood to run for the British House.

Toronto, Sept. 27.—(Special)—The Telegram's special cable from London says: Another name has been added to the list of Canadians offering themselves for election to the imperial parliament. It is now announced that Mr. Hamar Greenwood, barrister-at-law, formerly of Toronto, has accepted the nomination as the Liberal candidate for Grimby.

A Democratic Warning. New York, Sept. 27.—The following telegram was sent to-day from state headquarters to each of the presidents of the Democratic county committees.

"Republicans reported to be starting in to corrupt the state and buy the election and corrupt voters to stay at home. Study the situation carefully in your county; \$100 reward for detection of each offender. (Signed) 'JAMES K. McGUIRE'."

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The Hawk Fleet. Montreal, Sept. 25.—(Special)—The United States training steamer Hawk, which was on a cruise in Lake St. Louis, near Lacine last night, was safely got off this afternoon by the assistance of several powerful tugs. The Hawk is not damaged to any extent.

Some Sweeping Resolutions Passed. Orléans, Me., Sept. 25.—At today's session of the W. C. T. U. the first subject considered was narcotics. The resolution on resolutions reported. The resolution expressed renewed allegiance to prohibition, purity, woman's suffrage, peace, arbitration, scientific temperance instruction and Sunday school work.

The German Position. Berlin, Sept. 27.—The German press and foreign office continue to deny that Great Britain has rejected Germany's proposal. They also continue to blame the United States for the recently revised Chinese ordinance and the renewed evidence that the Chinese intend to resume hostilities on a large scale.

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BURY IN THE TROLLEY.

Rapid Transit Commission Orders a Tunnel for Brooklyn.

New York, Sept. 27.—At the meeting of the Rapid Transit commissioners this afternoon, a resolution was passed for a tunnel to Brooklyn. The route of the tunnel will be the old Flatbush avenue route, which will extend from the city hall, Manhattan, to the Battery, across the East River to the foot of Jerusalem street, Brooklyn, thence to the old city hall, thence to Flatbush avenue, thence to the Long Island railroad station at Flatbush and Atlantic avenue. There the tunnel will terminate for the present. This route is the one suggested by Controller Coley, who makes an estimate that the cost of construction of the tunnel will be about \$6,000,000.

KAISER HONORS AN AMERICAN.

Confers Order on Commercial Cable Company's Vice-President.

Berlin, Sept. 24.—Emperor William has conferred on George G. Ward, of New York, vice-president of the Commercial Cable Company, the Order of the Crown of the second class. Mr. Ward was present at the banquet given here yesterday by the German Atlantic Cable Company to commemorate the opening of its cable to the United States.

Men for Esquimaut.

St. John's, Nfld., Sept. 27.—The Allen liner Carthaginian, three days overdue arrived here this evening from Liverpool. She has on board 350 seamen and marines for the British warships in the North Atlantic and Pacific squadrons. Most of them will go to Esquimaut for service in China should it become necessary to augment the fleet there.

A King to Abdicate.

Paris, Sept. 27.—"From a source worthy of confidence," says the osteopath du Nord, "we learn that the King of the Belgians intends to abdicate before the close of the present Belgian parliament in favor of the Prince of Flanders."

"King Leopold counts confidently upon the result of his action being the sinking of the quarrels of the rival parties, which would then unite to observe the conditions of the new regime."

Coal in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Sept. 27.—(Special)—Coal is now \$7.50 per ton in Ottawa.

WEAR HATS AT MASS.

A New York State Parish Priest Lectures the Ladies of His Congregation.

Newburg, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Women parishioners of St. John's Roman Catholic church, in Paskill, who have been in the habit of attending mass without their hats received a vigorous reproof from their pastor, the Rev. J. J. McGrath, in his sermon Sunday morning. They were instructed to come to church hereafter in their best headgear. The best of clothing, Father McGrath said, was none too good for the Sabbath, and he bade his congregation bear this in mind. It has been the custom during the summer for most women of his parish to attend church without headgear, inside the church. The women have been seen with hats on. This fact has troubled Father McGrath for a long time. Today it was cool, and he noticed that the women without an exception wore hats. He told them it was a mistake to think that any clothing would do to wear to mass, and added that good taste should be maintained in the matter of dress from the soles of their feet to their heads. Sator hats and toques might be all right for occasions, but mass was not one of them, and hereafter he should expect to see them appear in their best bonnets. As for the surly-waist man, Father McGrath declared he was an abomination. "I want to give warning," he said, "that now or at any other time can a siff-waist man attend services here."

WILL FIGHT THE OSTEOPATHS.

Wisconsin Board of Medical Examiners Plans Legal Proceedings.

Milwaukee, Sept. 24.—Assistant District Attorney Umbreit says he has been notified that the state board of medical examiners intends to proceed against the practitioners osteopathy in this city, and that if successful here the board will begin proceedings in other parts of the state. There are six practitioners here, and the Milwaukee College of Osteopathy, one of the largest institutions of the kind in the country, has just been opened with a long list of students. The osteopaths will carry the case to the highest courts, and the fight promises to be a bitter one. The proceedings will be based on two charges, the unlawful use of the title of doctor and the practice of medicine without license from the state board. To this last charge the osteopaths reply that they do not fear regulation by state laws, and have in contemplation the introduction of a law that will recognize and regulate osteopathy, and thus relieve them from the damage done by "fake" osteopaths.

Census Returns.

Washington, Sept. 27.—The census bureau has announced the following population of cities: Houston, Texas, 44,632, against 27,557 in 1900. Memphis, Tenn., 102,330, as against 64,495 in 1900.

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Use HAWKER'S COLU WILD CHERRY BAL SAM. It will cure any cold. Price 25 cents. Hawker's Catarrh Cure. A positive cure for Catarrh or Cold in the head. The Canadian Drug Co., Sole Agents.

The United States and Great Britain are Allied.

London, Sept. 28, 3.50 a. m.—Only through the Associated Press advices from New York, published in this morning's papers, does the British public learn that the United States and Great Britain are once again ranged together in opposition to the continental powers.

William direct that he has found the general situation much more dangerous than he had expected, and it has grown worse during the last fortnight, and the consuls in central and southern China are expecting a general uprising.

government to the position assumed by the United States respecting the proposition to make the surrender of the Chinese ringleaders a condition precedent to negotiations, has given the greatest satisfaction in official circles.

The Idle Miners are Becoming More Numerous.

Shenandoah, Pa., Sept. 25.—The few developments in the strike situation here since yesterday were favorable to the strikers. Three additional collieries were closed today in this region because the number of men who reported for duty was not sufficient to operate them.

Two Names Will Be on the Ballots.

Gagetown, Sept. 25.—(Special).—This was nomination in Queens county for the by-election, and the gathering which attended at the Gagetown court house showed that a great deal of interest is being taken in the contest.

Mr. George S. Fowler Named for Kings.

Hampton, Sept. 25.—At the Liberal-Conservative convention here today George S. Fowler, of Sussex, barrister and ex-M. P., was chosen as the Kings county candidate of the party for the coming dominion election.

WITHDRAWING TROOPS.

The Americans are Arranging to Leave Pekin. Washington, Sept. 25.—The United States government today took the first step towards the redemption of its pledge to the Russian government, August 8th last by cablegram instructions to General Chaffee to reduce the American forces in China to the proportions of a garrison.

ORDERED TO LEAVE.

General Chaffee Will Remove American Troops from Pekin. Washington, Sept. 25.—Gen. Chaffee has been ordered to retire from Pekin. The force left under Gen. Chaffee constitutes a legion guard and is maintained for the purpose of protecting American interests.

Back from a Visit to England—Scott Act Conviction—Residence Purchased.

Moncton, Sept. 25.—(Special).—Mr. J. H. Wren, a well-known foreman in the I. C. R. shops, returned yesterday from a two months' trip to his old home in England. This was Mr. Wren's first visit to his native land since he left there some 28 years ago.

A Tribe in the Northwest Could Not Find Enough to Eat.

Winnipeg, Sept. 25.—Rev. George G. F. Stevens, Methodist missionary at Oxford House, in a letter dated Oxford House, Sept. 10, last, makes the following horrible announcement: "During the late winter and early spring of this year between 20 and 30 Indians of the Saulteaux tribe, residing near Sandy Lake and trading into the Island Lake Hudson Bay Co. post, have died of starvation."

Peace Preserved at Hazelton.

Hazelton, Pa., Sept. 25.—It was learned to-day that Sheriff Harvey, of the Hazelton county, has been released by Governor Stone asking that troops be sent to this county on the ground that he (the sheriff) cannot guarantee the safety of persons or property during the night hours of the strikers. The governor, it is understood, is considering the matter.

Missing Man All Right.

Halifax, Sept. 25.—(Special).—Dr. George A. Warren, of Newton, Mass., reported missing, has been located. He came to Halifax ten days ago and put up at the Lorne House and has since gone on a shooting trip in the country and is expected back here in a few days. He is in good health mentally and otherwise.

CHINA RIPE FOR REVOLT.

Berlin Has Received Alarming News from the East. Berlin, Sept. 25.—Alarming news from China has reached the German government, but it will not be published now, as Germany intends to use it during the conference in Pekin. Field Marshal Count von Waldersee has called to Emperor

A LAME HORSE

Is a luxury you cannot afford. Don't have a lame horse; cure him with KENDALL'S SPAIN CURE. It is the only medicine that cures lameness in all forms of horses. It is certain in its effects and cures without a moment's rest. The endorsement of its users guarantees its merit. Price, 50c per bottle. Ask your druggist for KENDALL'S SPAIN CURE, and "A Treatise on the Horse" (the book free, or address DR. S. J. KENDALL COMPANY, ENDSBURG FALLS, VT.

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To Examine Soldiers.

Fredericton, Sept. 25.—(Special).—Surgeon Lieut. Col. J. H. Nelson, director general of the militia medical staff, arrived here this morning on an official visit.

Bolivian Andes Diamonds

JEWELRY THAT WILL STAND THE TEST OF TIME. Diamonds that will not wear glassy. Settings that will not wear brassy. Bolivian Andes Diamonds are cut from Diamond Topaz Quartz, mined in the Andes Mountains, Bolivia, South America. Equal in every way to the genuine diamond—the same finish, the same lustre, the same brilliancy, and the same fire, blue-white color—the only perfect substitute ever discovered. We import, cut, polish and mount them ourselves, and have the exclusive sale in the United States and Canada.

Mr. Sprout devoted the remainder of his speech, which was of some length, to an acrimonious arraignment of the provincial government and the provincial government. The speech was a good effort for bitterness extended throughout. He characterized the recent changes in the government as deals and commenting on the revision of the statutes he said the country could be done by any clerk in the employ of the department whereas the country was now spending \$20,000 for the worst of money in the country. The change of the school books was bunglingly done and the contract corruptly given. Continuing, the speaker said that the entire free school system was bad. Valuable time was wasted cultivating fancy accomplishments. There was a great danger present in the Liberal friends that were under no obligation to the attorney general. The provincial government were responsible for the introduction of a vicious and pernicious principle into the county by the dismissal from office of Mr. G. O. D. Oty. If elected he would acquire himself in a manner which would bring the blush of shame to his constituents. G. O. D. Oty made a short speech. He said the Conservatives would have practically no money in the coming campaign, so they could not be corrupt. He hoped the Conservatives would conduct the county without endeavoring buying votes. If the Liberals used money the way would be to turn Mr. Donville out. After the transaction of some business matters the convention adjourned. Tenders Have Been Received and Will Be Sent to Colonial Governments. Montreal, Sept. 25.—(Special).—The Star's special cable from London says the doing of the Pacific cable committee are closely guarded from the public, but I understand the matter stands thus: The cable was received for the laying of the cable in response to the advertised invitation. These were considered and returned for amendments in some particulars. They have now been received back and in a few days cablegrams will be sent to Canadian and Australian governments, announcing acceptance of a certain tender, and plans for the construction of cable forthwith.

MR. HETHERINGTON'S FACTS.

Mr. Hetherington, who is trying to defeat the Hon. Mr. Farris in Queens county, has published a four page political document which he calls "Facts" showing "how the provincial machine bleeds the people for the benefit of the bosses."

heard of in Canada before. The circumstances connected with the whole transaction were disgraceful to the Conservative party, which benefited by this glaring act of robbery.

OUR SOLDIER BOYS.

The kind words spoken by Field Marshal Lord Roberts to the members of the Canadian regiment who are returning from South Africa will be very pleasing to the people of this Dominion, and will be accepted as his deliberate opinion of our soldier boys.

Although the Conservatives are keeping up a vast amount of shouting, they do not really believe that they have any chance of defeating the government and winning the coming Dominion elections.

The Fredericton Gleaner is attacking the authorities of that city because of the prevalence of typhoid fever of a fatal character, which it thinks is due to the lack of attention on the part of the city council to the most ordinary sanitary precautions.

Mr. Michael Davitt is not so fond of the people of the Transval as he was before he went to live among them. Like many another person who has been favoured by their cause, he has become disillusioned by actual contact with these pretended republicans.

The latest movement to free the Transval has been started in Chicago, which is a good distance away from the place which is to be made free.

The Sun is administering taffy to Mr. John McAllister, the present Conservative member for the county of Restigouche. It tells the people that the interests of the county are absolutely safe in his hands.

The Sun highly commends the selection of Mr. George W. Fowler as the candidate of the Conservative party for the county of Kings in the House of Commons.

THE QUEENS COUNTY STEAL.

The Sun has not much to say in defence of the Queens county steal of 1887, by means of which the people of that constituency were deprived of their votes and Mr. George F. Baird elected, although on the poll he had a large majority against him.

Mr. Foster is said to be intending to return to New Brunswick to address meetings in this province. This story seems to have been started for the purpose of contradicting the damaging rumor that he was about to remain in Ontario.

The Tory newspapers still persist in describing the Huntington Gleaner as a Liberal paper and quoting from it criticisms on the present government.

Hugh John Macdonald has got back to Winnipeg and his friends say that he is in a state of great exhilaration over the prospects of the Conservative party in Ontario and Quebec.

dently been regarding these prospects through some other medium than the ordinary organs of mankind.

The government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier now has a majority of members from every province of Canada with the exception of New Brunswick and also from the territories. At the coming general election New Brunswick will be in line with the other provinces and give a majority for the Liberals.

The Sun says that Mr. Foster will represent a New Brunswick constituency in the next parliament. Has the Sun in view any New Brunswick constituency which Mr. Foster will be able to steal as Queens county was stolen in 1887?

CHICAGO TO EUROPE BY WATER.

What is Probable in the Near Future.

Chicago is beginning to build steamers for direct voyages to European ports. The Counselman quartet of ships, 235 feet long, 42 feet wide, are not primarily intended for passenger service.

The caravels of Columbus are still to be seen at Jackson Park. Ocean travel for pleasure ought to be slow travel. The crowded lumbering big ships are too slow and too speedy.

When the sanitary channel shall become a ship canal Chicago will have learned how to build great ocean steamships. Meanwhile it is no rash prophecy to predict that from this port passengers will be setting out in a year or two for a pleasure cruise to Europe.—Chicago Chronicle

MISSIONS.

Methodist Women's Missionary Society at Woodstock.

Woodstock, Sept. 27.—(Special)—At the afternoon session of the Women's Missionary Society today Miss Truman read a paper on Practical Thoughts on the Possible Use of the Review. Miss Perley, of Fredericton, read a paper on Missionary Education. Miss Scott, of Toronto, very interestingly talked on the work of the training school in connection with the deaconess home.

Bossy's Explosive Cud.

A peculiar circumstance happened on the lake front a day or two ago, when Joe Horton was spending a few days with his family, says a despatch in the Rochester Post-Express. The fences were down so that the cattle could graze on the shore, and in doing so one cow came across a small package which she began to devour with a relish.

An Editor Assaulted for Expressing an Opinion.

Victor, Col. Sept. 27.—As a sequel to the disorderly proceedings at the Roosevelt Republican meeting in this city last evening, F. M. Briggs, editor of the Victor Daily Record, was assaulted today in his office. In an editorial denouncing the participants in the riot, the Record stated that "A few desultory women waved ragged flags, very few of the distinguished guests."

Kidnapped by a Fish.

Charlotte Harbor, Fla., Sept. 26.—Three girls and a boy belonging to this place were kidnapped by a big fish and carried out to sea yesterday. It is the most remarkable missing adventure since Jonah was caught by the whale.

Harrison-Wood.

Aberyst, Sept. 27.—Miss Alice Wood, daughter of Mr. John Wood and sister of Mrs. Scott, wife of Mr. S. D. Scott, of the Sun, was married yesterday to Mr. Charles T. Harrison, of Halfway River. Rev. W. E. Bates performed the ceremony.

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Washington, Sept. 26.—Dr. Henry E. Pritchett, superintendent of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, who will be inaugurated president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on Oct. 24, expects to begin work in Boston with the opening of the academic term, although his duties here are in such a state that he cannot as yet wholly lay them down.

One of the things I want to see accomplished before I leave here, said Dr. Pritchett just before he started West, "is the transfer of our sailors, who were formerly enlisted men in the navy, to the coast survey. This change is necessary on account of the fact that under the new personnel bill sailors of the navy enlist for four years; they could not well do that while in survey work; when you go to a place like Porto Rico it is sometimes necessary to enlist a few sailors on the spot who know the rocks and understand local conditions. You cannot bring those men here, and so under the other arrangement it would be impossible to get them back to their services."

"I am going West soon to inspect a party engaged in the measurement of primary base lines; we are carrying the triangulation from the Mexican to the Canadian border along the 98th meridian. This is an extremely interesting thing; the Mexican government and the Canadian government will carry on the work, so that it will ultimately reach from the frozen zone on the North to Acapulco in the Gulf of Mexico, and will be the longest arc in the world for determining the size and figure of the earth."

The coast survey which Dr. Pritchett heads is one of the most important departments of the government and one of the oldest. It was established in 1807 by an act of Congress, and R. F. Hasler was appointed the first superintendent. It was not, however, until 1811 that the department was organized to procure a supply of instruments. New York was designated as the basis of operations, and the first survey was made in 1812, and in 1824 the navy made an attempt to establish a hydrographic corps.

In 1832 a bill was passed making the office of the Coast and Geodetic Survey again appointed superintendent. In 1834 the survey was transferred from the Treasury Department to the navy, and in 1836 it was transferred back again to the Treasury Department, which has continued to have charge of it. The examination of positions in the survey is very thorough. It comprises mathematics, including the elements of calculus and descriptive geometry, and including projections; astronomy, including the elements of trigonometry and the calculation of results; geography of the United States; modern languages, including French, English from any two European languages.

FINAL AWARDS AT PARIS.

Paris, Sept. 27.—The jury of final appeal in the exposition awards has finished its work. The statement prepared for the United States commission shows America received the highest total awards of any nation save France, and that she also received more awards in each classification, except grand prizes, in which Germany secured a greater number. The figures, excepting for France, follow: Grand prizes—United States, 215; Germany, 236; Russia, 209; Great Britain, 183. Gold medals—United States, 347; Germany, 510; Russia, 348; Great Britain, 400. Silver medals—United States, 903; Germany, 273; Russia, 411; Great Britain, 317. Bronze medals—United States, 501; Germany, 321; Russia, 321; Great Britain, 410. Honorable mention—United States, 348; Germany, 184; Russia, 206; Great Britain, 208.

A Diplomat Married.

New York, Sept. 26.—General Stewart Woodford, former minister to Spain, was married to Miss Isabel Hansen today. The wedding ceremony which was very simple, took place at the home of the bride, a Presbyterian church, this city. The Rev. Howard Duffield officiated and neither the bride nor the groom was attended. About 60 near relatives and close friends witnessed the ceremony.

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Any good police force—say one of twenty thousand men—can at the best do the work of pacification for security. If General Buller and the others move on to seize the places, neither Ben Viljoen, the new commandant general, with Steyn and Schalkbuur, nor Kootze, with the rest of the derelicts from Komatipoort, can be visible. The Boers are in a state of panic, and are fleeing in all directions. The Boer refugees taken. Fifty truck loads, with nearly three hundred tons, have been dumped down on the island of Shefferson. The Boers are in a state of panic, and are fleeing in all directions. The Boer refugees taken. Fifty truck loads, with nearly three hundred tons, have been dumped down on the island of Shefferson. The Boers are in a state of panic, and are fleeing in all directions. The Boer refugees taken. Fifty truck loads, with nearly three hundred tons, have been dumped down on the island of Shefferson.

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THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Measures to Keep It Out of Canada. Ottawa, Sept. 27.—(Special)—The Montreal Board of Health, directed by Dr. McLaughlin, has returned from the west. In an interview today he spoke of the bubonic plague, and the probability of its invading Canada. He states that a good strong epidemic has been made and that Canada will escape there is more danger from the west than from the east. There seems but little doubt that the disease is at present in Francisco in a large degree, and that the health authorities are keeping all news of the disease in the strictest confidence. The disease is confined to the Chinese and if it is extended it will be by means of the Chinese. No Chinamen can enter Canada without meeting an officer of sanitation and now that officers will hold all San Francisco Chinamen or any other Chinese will be held until the days of incubation are passed. The doctor says that arrangements are being made so that the quarantine regulations will effectively enforce on vessels coming from Glasgow will not be so harshly on the vessel owners. Only two freight lines from Glasgow to Montreal. By the time that these vessels arrive from Glasgow the Montreal period of incubation is over. The vessels will be examined at Glasgow, but will not be detained lest there is sickness on board. The captain will report a case of illness. In this way as great precautions will be taken and three days will be saved by the vessels.

THE CHINESE ARE

The Greatest Source of Danger. The Disease Has a Strong foothold Among Them in San Francisco -- Regulations for Ships From Glasgow.

STILL SUFFERING.

Dreyfus Says He is a Victim of Mental Anguish. Paris, Sept. 27.—The Presse publishes the text of an alleged letter from Alfred Dreyfus to M. Trarieux, the former minister of justice, dated Geneva, Switzerland, September 13, in which the writer says: "The moral effects of the inquiry still exist and the mental torture is as great as ever. Since justice has not been done, the aim I pursue remains the same until attained, viz: The legal revision of my trial."

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THE PRICE OF WATER.

The Intercolonial Refuses to be Robbed by Truro. Truro, Sept. 27.—(Special)—The fight between the Intercolonial and the town of Truro over the water supply for the railway, already referred to in The Telegraph, is still on. The town are raising the rate from \$124 a year to \$200 a year, and the government do not feel disposed to meet the demand. At present a pumping station has been established about a half mile from the station and pipes laid along the top of the ground for this distance. The supply thus secured is from the river and is suitable only for engines and such services. The dining cars, dining saloon, etc., cannot use it. The matter has been gone into thoroughly and town officials are confident of a sure case and will not reduce the price from that at present established. There is no way in which an efficient supply can be secured for the railway excepting from the town reservoir and appearances are that the railway officials will, in the end, be compelled to pay the higher price. The price now asked by Truro is nearly as high as that paid to the city of St. John though only about one-quarter of that received by Moncton for water service in that town.

Entrance Examination.

Fredericton, Sept. 27.—(Special)—The entrance examination commenced at U. N. B. this morning. The total number of new students enrolled was 43. Of the new students ten are entering the engineering class. The total number of students for the counties are as follows: York, 15; Carleton, 2; Victoria, 11; Sunbury, 1; Kings, 5; St. John, 7; Charlotte, 2; Northumberland, 4; Westmorland, 2; Kent, 1; Resegouche, 2.

An Atchison woman is a splendid bread-

keeper, and is generally admired, except that she plays the piano and sings.

