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CHATHAM, N. B., AUGUST 17, 1899.

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to stock the favourite dimensions to hold for higher prices later on in the year.

"To-day we have been shown a signed contract for a cargo of Lower Port deals for delivery near the Bristol Channel, which, if such a thing had been mentioned at the opening of the season, would have been treated by importers in that district with scorn and derision. It was shown to us in confidence, and we cannot, therefore, say any more about it.

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deprivation of M. Labori's invaluable services to the prisoner would be a severe blow to the latter's prospect.

The murderer apparently chose to die for the attempt because it was known that M. Labori would crash General Mercier, the former minister of war, with his cross questioning. The news caused an intense sensation in the court room, where the usual audience had assembled awaiting the entrance of the judge.

M. Labori's absence had just been announced, when suddenly M. Jaunay, syndic of the judiciary press, rushed into the room and shouted: "M. Labori has been shot!" All present gave a gasp of horror and surprise, and then every man jumped to his feet and a volley of questions was hurled at M. Jaunay's head, who, crying "That's all I know," rushed out of the court again, followed by a number of his hearers.

The remainder of those present were compelled to remain, as the proceedings were about to commence, and they excitedly discussed the crime and vigorously denounced the author. Colonel Jousset, president of the court, when the news reached him, suspended the sitting of the court.

Madame Labori herself broke the news to the court and informed M. Jousset of the crime, having rushed from her husband's side to the court, crying for a doctor and shouting that her husband had been shot.

When the court martial was reassembled General Mercier was confronted with M. Casimir Perier, the former President of France. The latter declared that Mercier's story, told on the witness stand on Saturday, of the innocence of war between Germany and France was grossly exaggerated, and complained of the action of the then minister of war (Mercier) in moving sixty thousand troops to the frontier without consulting him.

As it was M. Labori's task to take Mercier in hand, and Demange, the associate counsel, was quite unprepared for the task, the few questions the latter put were practically of little effect, and General Mercier escaped cheaply. Moreover, M. Demange was deeply affected by the attempt to assassinate his colleague and was quite unable to do himself justice.

M. Demange announced that, though his colleague's wound was not so serious as at first supposed it would be impossible for the latter to participate in the proceedings.

When General Mercier was recalled in reply to the president of the court he reiterated that the Minister of War, Esterhazy, in spite of the latter's own declaration, was not the author of the bordereau, which, the witness claimed, was written on tracing paper and was found in an embassy.

This afternoon M. Labori was suffering great agony, and the doctors, who had left the house, were hastily summoned to attend him.

Col. Jousset called after the close of the session of the court martial, and was allowed to see M. Labori. He expressed his deepest regret at the occurrence.

Gen. Mercier followed, but the doctors declared that M. Labori could not bear such an interview in his present state, and Gen. Mercier was obliged to go away without seeing the man.

After MM. Cavaignac and Hanouart, former ministers of foreign affairs, had testified, the court adjourned until Wednesday, August 15.

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The Crown Lands Settlement Act. Passed 25th April, 1899.

Whereas it is expedient to make such provisions as will afford greater encouragement to the young men of the Province to settle upon wilderness lands, the property of the Crown:

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor and Legislative Assembly as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as "The Crown Lands Settlement Act."

2.-(1) The Surveyor General shall, as soon as practicable, cause surveys to be made of the Crown Lands in the different counties of the Province suitable for settlement, whether the same may be included in timber reserves or not, and shall cause public roads to be made to and through such lands, and shall have the same laid off in one hundred acre lots on both sides of such roads.

(2) A complete plan of the lands so selected and surveyed, shall be prepared and filed in the Crown Land Office.

3. For the purpose of making such selection and surveys, and opening such roads, the Surveyor General is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars in any one year.

4. The said lands so selected, surveyed and laid off, shall be reserved for actual settlers.

5. Free grants for such lots may be made to such persons as may become actual settlers under this Act, and the regulations from time to time made under the authority hereof.

6. The person to whom any land may be assigned or allotted under this Act, hereinafter called the allottee, for a free grant thereof, shall be considered as located for said land, within the meaning of this Act, as soon as the approval of his application therefor shall be published in the "Royal Gazette."

7. No person shall be allotted or assigned any land under this Act, or any regulations hereunder, unless such person shall be of the age of eighteen years or upwards, nor shall any person be assigned any greater quantity than one hundred acres.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint a board of three commissioners for any County for the purpose of receiving, considering and reporting upon applications under this Act in such County, and in any County where such board of commissioners has been appointed, all applications for locations of land shall be made to such board. It shall be the duty of the board to meet at least once a month to pass upon such applications, and thereupon to report to the Surveyor General, approving or disapproving thereof. It shall also be the duty of the board to report to the Surveyor General as to whether or not persons applying for grants of land under this Act, have complied with the requirements hereof, or if any regulations made hereunder, and their finding, together with the evidence or facts upon which such finding is based, shall be forwarded to the Surveyor General.

9. Before any person shall be allotted or assigned any land under the provisions of this Act, such person shall make affidavit, to be deposited at the Crown Land office, that he has no real estate; that he has not been assigned or allotted any land under the provisions of this Act, or under any Act hereby repealed; that he is of the age of eighteen years or upwards, and that such land is desired for his own benefit, and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, who-soever, and not for the purpose of obtaining or disposing of any of the trees growing thereon, or for the purpose of obtaining possession thereof.

10. No grant shall issue for any land

alotted or assigned under this Act, or any regulation made hereunder, until the applicant or those claiming under him shall have performed each of the following settlement duties or conditions namely:

(1) The allottee shall commence chopping, clearing and improving on the lot assigned to him within one month after publication of the approval of his application, and shall within three months after the publication of such approval, improve as aforesaid, on his lot to the value of twenty dollars;

2. Within one year from such publication, build a house thereon, fit for habitation, of not less dimensions than sixteen feet by twenty feet, and reside thereon, and shall chop down and cultivate not less than two acres, by sowing or planting the same;

(3) Chop down, cultivate and clear not less than ten acres within three years from such publication, and shall each year actually and continuously cultivate all the land chopped down during such three years;

(4) Shall reside actually and continuously upon such land for the term of three years next succeeding such publication, and thenceforth, until the expiration of the term of five years from the date of the grant, except that absence during the months of July, August, January, February and March in any year shall not be held to be a cessation of such residence, provided such land be cultivated as aforesaid;

(5) Compliance with the first, second and third conditions above mentioned within a less period than three years, and actual residence up to the time of such compliance shall entitle such allottee to a grant. On failure in the performance of any of the settlement conditions and duties in this Section mentioned the allotment shall be forfeited and all right of the allottee or anyone claiming under him in the land shall cease.

11. No claim for improvements by an allottee whose lot is forfeited, shall be allowed, except for buildings, the reasonable value of which shall for two years be a charge upon the lot, and shall be paid for by any other person applying therefor within that time, before such lot shall be allotted to such applicant.

12. All trees growing or being upon any lot so assigned or allotted, as aforesaid, shall be considered as reserved from the said allotment, and shall be the property of Her Majesty, except the allottee or those claiming under him, may cut and use such trees as may be necessary for the purposes of building, fencing, or fuel on the lands so cultivated, and may also cut and dispose of such trees actually required to be removed in such clearing and land for cultivation, and no trees except for necessary building, fencing and fuel, as aforesaid, shall be cut beyond the limit of such actual clearing before the issuing of the grant, unless license for cutting the same be obtained, and such license may be obtained by the allottee after compliance with settlement conditions Nos. 1 and 2, upon such terms and to such extent, as may be prescribed and authorized by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, but any trees cut, except as aforesaid, without such license, may be seized and forfeited in like manner as trees cut without license upon ungranted Crown lands.

13. Any allottee, or any person claiming under him, may maintain an action of trespass for the injury done to the lands so allotted to him or his interest therein, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to interfere with the rights of the Crown to seize any trees cut in violation of the provisions of this Act, or any regulations made hereunder.

14. If the allottee die intestate before the issue of the grant, all his or her rights and interest in such lands, shall be deemed to be real estate, and vest in his or her widow or husband, if he or she survive, or, if he or she be dead, in his or her heirs.

15. Nether the allottee nor anyone claiming under him, shall have power to alienate otherwise than by devise, or to mortgage or pledge any land allotted as aforesaid, or any right of interest therein, before the issue of the grant, and no land allotted as aforesaid, nor any interest therein, shall, in any event before the issue of the grant, or within three years thereafter, be or become liable to be attached, seized or taken for payment or the satisfaction of any debt or liability contracted by the allottee, his or her widow or husband, as the case may be, devise or devisees, nor shall any mortgage thereon be enforceable for a period of five years from the publication of the approval of application mentioned in Section 6, while the allottee is a resident on the property, so allotted, but nothing in this Section contained, shall be construed to except the interest of any allottee in any such land from levy or sale for rates or taxes now or hereafter legally imposed upon the allottee thereof or any person claiming the same under him.

16. Any person who may have hitherto become an allottee under any Act of Assembly, of this Province, which, notwithstanding the repeal by this Act of any such other Act of Assembly, be entitled to receive any moneys by such Act provided for, as if this Act had not been passed.

17. In the case of land allotted in any County in which a board of commissioners is appointed under this Act, no claim for improvements shall be entertained by the Surveyor General until such claim has been presented to the board of commissioners and reported by such board to the Surveyor General.

18. The report of such board of commissioners as to the fact of any land being vacant, shall be necessary before any allotment shall issue to a new applicant.

19. In case of any land in respect to which an allotment has been made, becoming vacant for a period of three months, or abandoned by the allottee, the same shall be again opened for settlement.

20. No person who owns land within the Province shall be entitled to have a location under this Act.

21. Any allottee illegally selling liquor or keeping a gaming house, shall forfeit his right to receive a grant under this Act.

22. Where, in any district where lands have been laid out by the Surveyor General for settlement under this Act, and not less than ten settlers have taken up lands thereon, the Surveyor General may give a bonus of one hundred dollars to the settler in such district who has erected the best house and outbuildings, and has his farm in the best condition.

23. In the case of any allottee during the first five years after the approval of his application has been published, whether before or after he has obtained his grant, prospecting and finding minerals on his land, he shall have priority to a lease under the General Mining Act, of mining rights on such land, and any minerals mined thereon shall be exempt from royalty for a period of five years after the taking out of such lease.

24. Any allottee under this Act who shall, by any board of commissioners be found guilty of having negligently or willfully set fire to any of his lands, or who shall be injured, shall forfeit his claim to a grant as allottee.

25. No application for a grant of land shall be received, nor shall any grant be issued, except on some portion of the lands

hands to the plough and won't draw back. With that statement I propose to rest content."

The additional troops ordered to be in readiness for transportation to South Africa include a battalion of the Grenadier Guards and three batteries of artillery.

While the members of Parliament and officials present in the House of Commons at the prorogation of Parliament to-day expressed hopes of a peaceful settlement of the Transvaal difficulties, it was evident that an autumn session might be necessary to vote war supplies.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The Boer organ in London, the Standard and News, to-day publishes a Johannesburg despatch threatening Great Britain in the event of war, saying the Boers are determined to wreck the mine and irretrievably ruin the general body of shareholders by blowing up millions worth of machinery, adding that war will mean the absolute ruin of Johannesburg, both as a town and a mining centre, and saying:

"While it will doubtless end in a victory for England, the price of that victory will be the ruin of thousands who ought to consider the price they must pay before authorizing the government to declare war."

Another Johannesburg despatch, however, predicts conciliation and says: "The reply of the Transvaal to the proposal for a joint inquiry is being delayed until the government has prepared a scheme granting the Uitlanders immediate and substantial representation, as the Transvaal will make every effort to avoid a public declaration in the initial affairs of the country."

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Delagoa Bay, Aug. 11.—The German East India line steamer Reichstag has arrived here from Hamburg, Naples and Bombay with four hundred cases of cartridges and other war stores for the Transvaal.

HALIFAX, Aug. 11.—Four hundred men of the 1st Battalion Leinster Regiment are held here in readiness to go to Jamaica to join the 2nd Battalion, which is under orders for the Transvaal.

PRETORIA, Aug. 14.—The volksraad has amended the grandvet (constitution) of the South African republic compelling persons who are not burghers to co-operate with them in the defence of the national territory and the suppression of rebellion.

Gen. Joubert, vice-president of the republic, denies that the burghers are loading their rifles and preparing for war.

Despite Gen. Joubert's denial, it is said that the government made large purchases of rifles last Saturday.

To-day a crowd besieged the office of the field cornets, demanding rifles on account of the war scares.

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 14.—It is reported that a former officer of the British army is now recruiting among the volunteers here with the object of forming an irregular corps for the protection of Bechuanaland.

Major General Sir William Francis Butler in command of the British troops in South Africa, against whom there is much feeling because of his alleged Boer sympathies, will be sent to England.

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