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EUROPEAN WAR RUMORS.

Rumors are rife again this spring in Europe of an approaching great war. Such rumors are of yearly occurrence. As they have so often proved they may prove again to be without foundation. In favor of such a conclusion, may be cited the facts that there does not seem to be any just cause for war between any European nations, that no serious quarrel exists between any of the great European governments, and that all the European nationalities dread war. These facts ought to be conclusive on the side of peace.

Alas! they are not so. War often breaks out without just cause, and against the wishes of the people most deeply concerned. They frequently spring from the most trivial causes. Then, all the continental European nations are armed to the teeth, and stand ready for war. A rash shot fired anywhere in Europe may bring about a general explosion. Besides, there are grounds existing for abiding apprehension in the feelings prevalent among ruling classes in Russia and France. There is an ardent longing among that class in France for revenge on Germany for humiliation inflicted by its armies on those of France in the great war of 1870-1; and amongst the corresponding class in Russia exists a quenchless thirst for conquest at the expense of Turkey and the Danubian States. It is feared Russia and France may join forces to accomplish their respective objects. The threatening cloud may again pass over, but peril is always imminent. The greatest guarantee of peace will be in a firm concord between Germany, Austria and Italy combined with a good understanding between those powers and the Ottoman Empire and the Danubian States—all held in readiness for every possible emergency.

MR. LEBLANC.

Mr. LeBlanc has bowed to the inevitable and finally retired from the representation of Kent in the Assembly. For his own sake, it is much to be regretted that, even for a moment, he allowed himself to be bamboozled by the empty quibbles indulged in as to the legality of his resignation when he became a candidate for the House of Commons. He meant to resign. He believed that he had resigned. The electors of Kent voted for or against him under the belief that he had resigned. He should not have parleyed for an instant with any legal dodge designed to quash his resignation. The work of stepping down and out at the last moment has been softened for him a little by his elevation to our Provincial House of Lords in its dying throes.

THE RECIPROCITY TANGLE.

Either President Harrison or his secretary, Mr. Blaine, has played rather a doubtful card in connection with the reciprocity negotiations proposed by the Dominion government. A very able committee of negotiators were sent by the Macdonald government, with the approval of the Imperial government, to Washington. They met with a cordial welcome from the Secretary; but just as they were prepared to enter on their task, they were suddenly informed that, as the President wished to be at home during the negotiations, but was about to start on a pleasure trip to the Pacific Coast, the negotiators would have to come to Washington again in October. This proceeding wears a discourteous aspect. Seemingly the president is responsible. Jealousy of the Secretary is attributed in this case to the President. Both are understood to be candidates for nomination to the Presidency at the next general Republican convention; and the President is held to be desirous of preventing the Secretary becoming very prominent in connection with international matters of importance meanwhile.

INTERIM POLICY.

Most thoughtful Canadians doubt whether or no a satisfactory reciprocity treaty between Canada and the United States can be secured. Such a measure is unquestionably desirable. But the less it is confidently looked for, the less will be the disappointment on failure to secure the boon. But meantime the course the Canadian people should pursue stands out bold and clear. In the first place, they should abstain wholly from doing or saying anything fitted in the slightest degree to weaken the Canadian case and plea. To do otherwise would be to play a basely treacherous part. In the second place, every effort practicable should be put forth

to find access to all the profitable markets of the world outside those of the United States. There should be a thorough shaking of dry bones, a wide awake opening of the eyes all around, and a getting clean out of the old ruts—an intelligent studying of the wants of accessible customers, a pains-taking anxiety to meet their requirements, and a skilful pushing of things in every possible direction. Let all this be done in all quarters with a will, and a failure in the reciprocity business will not be deemed an irreparable loss. This ought to be done reciprocity or no.

REPRIEVED.

The Legislative Council remains under condemnation of death, but instead of being handed over at once for execution it has been reprieved for three years unless meanwhile the House of Assembly should be dissolved. The reprieve was brought about mainly by the action of several of the Government's late appointees to the Council. Mr. LeBlanc, we are glad to see, voted for immediate execution. Mr. Fellows and Mr. McManus were conspicuous in working up the reprieve movement.

It is not easy to understand the true inwardness of this measure. The arguments which justify the abolition of the council three years hence justify it now. If the existence of the council three years hence will be needless, it is needless now. If it will be necessary to curtail needless expenditure in the Provincial service three years hence it is necessary now. We have seen no argument worth the paper on which it is printed, in defence of this miserable reprieve business.

AN AGONY ENDED.

For a year or two, the St. John people have been much and painfully exercised about the Leary wharf, warehouse and dock building project. It had zealous and valiant supporters in the Common Council of the city, and, for a while, its success seemed assured. But the number of its opponents increased, especially among the business men of the community. The Board of Trade took a bold stand against it. A majority of men adverse to it were a week or so ago elected to the City Council. A petition numbering 1,100 names was presented to the Legislature against the passage of a bill empowering the City Council to subsidize the Leary project. On Monday last, the movement culminated in giving the bill a three months' hoist. So the matter is finally squelched to the great relief of a multitude of St. John people.

La grippe is making ravages out West this spring. The cause of its reappearance in a severer aspect does not seem to be well understood. There must be a cause for it, probably a preventable one.

PEABODY, Mass., April 8, 1891.

To the Editor of The Review:  
 Dear Sir,—Would you kindly allow space in your valuable paper for the following notes.

It was a large and happy company that assembled at the residence of Mr. Henry Pine, corner North Pine and Fowler streets, Salem, last evening to witness the marriage of Miss Agnes Barnes, of Bass River, N. B., and Mr. Robert Potts, of Hartland, N. B., formerly of Buctouche. The bride was attended by Miss Annie Pine, and the groom by Mr. Robert Brown, of Boston. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Clark, of the Congregational church, and was followed by a reception and lunch. The newly wedded were showered with congratulations, and if good wishes will bring prosperity and happiness, they are destined to a long life of unalloyed pleasure. Mr. and Mrs. Potts were the recipients of a great many beautiful and costly presents, chiefly silverware, which will help materially in starting them upon their matrimonial voyage. They left the city for a short wedding trip and on Friday will commence their journey to Fredericton, N. B., where they will reside, and where Mr. Potts is engaged in the lumber business.

Mr. James Stevenson, of Molus River, was in the city this week visiting his friends he left Thursday morning for Portland, Me.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Bliss Bailey has been called home by the death of his brother George, who was so well and favorably known to all the Kent Co. folk residing here. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his widow and children who have been so suddenly called to mourn the loss of husband and father.

Messrs. James McNairn and David Lawson of Kingston, who have been spending the winter here, leave on the 10th for their homes.

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A middle aged widow who resides on Russell street is to be married next week. This will be her fifth husband. Two of her husbands were drowned.—Halifax Mail.

All is quiet at present in the Mount Pleasant mining region of Pennsylvania. Gen. Wiley says this is due entirely to the presence of the troops. Thousands of men would resume work if they thought their homes were safe. There is great suffering from hunger among the strikers.  
 A tragic affair took place at Sorel, P.Q. Saturday evening, when Major Edward's home was burned to the ground. His little daughter, six years old, perished in the flames, while her mother and three other children were badly burned.

Twenty thousand men have been added to the Russian military reserves; military roads are to be constructed and the fleet increased.

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