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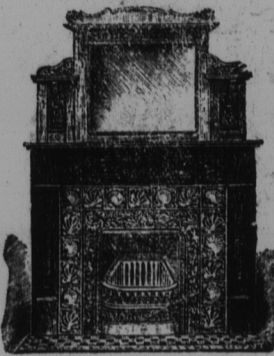
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SIR CHARLES DILKE

Believes Peace Will Be Made If Not Already Virtually Accomplished.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Sir Charles Dilke, one of the most laborious and best informed members of the house of commons, asks whether he thinks that peace will be restored in South Africa before the coronation, replied, according to a Tribune despatch from London as follows:—"I have not the slightest doubt on the subject. Peace will be made, if it has not already been virtually done. I have not had any doubt respecting the result since the conference with the Boer leaders began. Their departure to confer with the Burghers confirms my opinion."

Sir Charles Dilke added that he did not believe that the European Boer agents had been dealt with by the government, but that they might have been consulted by the delegates attending the conference in Africa. Sir Charles Dilke, without doubt, reflects the opinion of members of the house, which is more optimistic and better informed than opinion outside.

OTTAWA.

Three Canadians Dangerously Ill—A Whole Family Perished.

(Special to the Star.) OTTAWA, Ont., April 22.—A message to Lord Minto says that John Arthur Wilson, Robert Dease and William Robinson, all of 2nd batt. C. M. R., are dangerously ill of enteric fever. Wilson is from London, Ont.; Robinson from Halifax; and Dease from Montreal.

A house in Hull was struck by lightning at an early hour this morning, and the whole family, consisting of husband, wife, hired man and three children, lost their lives in the fire which destroyed the house.

Hon. L. P. Ferris, Ora P. King, M. P. P., and E. B. Ebbett, of Gagetown, are in the city on business with the government. OTTAWA, April 21.—The governor-general has received the following from the British casualty department: Dangerously ill, 20th April, at Johannesburg, 2nd Regt. Mounted Rifles (189) J. Millen, and (668) Michael Murphy, both of gun-shot wounds. Died from enteric fever, 20th April, Pretoria, S. A. C., Capt. A. J. Boyd, Capt. Boyd is a son of Charles St. John Boyd, Millen is from London, Ontario, and Murphy from Peterboro, Ontario.

THE DEATH ROLL.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Bowles Colgate of this city, who was, until 18 months ago, senior member of the manufacturing firm of Colgate & Co., is dead at Lakewood, N. J. Mr. Colgate was born 56 years ago and was the son of Charles Colgate. Upon the death of his father, several years ago, he became senior member of the company. He was the representative of the third generation from the founder of the house.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 22.—Rev. Dr. Cyrus Brooks died at his home in this city last night. He was 91 years of age, and one of the oldest Methodist ministers in the United States. He was at one time one of the most eloquent and influential preachers in his church. He was ordained in 1838, and held charges in the Ohio conference until 1857, when he came to Minnesota. He was for many years presiding elder of the various conferences.

STABBED BY A NEGRO.

EMPORIA, Kansas, April 22.—Professor Charles S. Hurl, assistant in the department of physical training of Kansas state normal school, was stabbed in the right breast, and had the upper portion of his jaw bone crushed yesterday by young negro ruffians. Both wounds are serious. Prof. Hurl had driven the negroes from the fence of the park where a base ball game was in progress. The negroes commenced throwing stones over the fence into the crowd. The professor went outside to stop this conduct and was attacked. Samuel Harrison, the negro who did the stabbing, was arrested.

QUEEN WILHELMINA.

THE HAGUE, April 22.—Despatches from Castle Loo announce that the condition of the queen, according to her physicians, continues to be satisfactory.

THE HAGUE, April 22.—This morning's news from Castle Loo leads to the impression that a favorable turn occurred in the queen's illness, which renders it possible that the affairs of state will soon resume their normal course. The rumors of the government going to take steps looking to the establishment of a regency, will therefore probably not materialize.

AMERICAN SECURITIES IN PARIS.

PARIS, April 22.—The question of listing the stock of the U. S. Steel corporation and other American securities on the Paris Bourse, has been broached by J. Pierpont Morgan, but there is little prospect that the idea will be carried out. The matter, it is expected, will be settled tomorrow.

A WAR CLOUD?

CAIRO, Egypt, April 22.—The British troops are in held in readiness to proceed to the Sudan, owing to the fact that trouble is threatening in that part of Egypt.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Eastern States and Northern New York: Fair tonight; warmer in eastern portions; Wednesday—Fair; fresh to brisk south winds.

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY.

Comparison of Conditions in Russia and England.

In Russia the factory inspectors are very arbitrary, and the factory laws and regulations so worded that the mill-manager or director is made personally liable for any accident or damage to the workpeople; and the mill-owners have not only to pay compensation to the person injured or to his relatives, but in the case of serious injury the manager is liable to imprisonment in addition—no light punishment. The workpeople in Russia, being drawn mostly from the peasant class, taken from their occupations in husbandry or forestry, are generally ignorant and illiterate. It can be readily imagined that the responsible director of a factory will not hesitate in such circumstances to incur considerable expense in providing safeguards to reduce his chances of imprisonment and monetary loss. Cases are also of not uncommon occurrence where these workpeople are said to have deliberately put their fingers in the working part of a machine, especially to injure the trigger finger, and thus render them unfit to be called upon for military service. The factories in some districts of Russia are worked night and day with three or four sets of workpeople; therefore precautions are most generally necessary and advisable. In our own factory districts, says London Engineering, there are no such drastic measures to terrify the mill manager or director; but the Employer's Liability Act is to be borne in mind, and for this and other reasons the provision of special guards, in addition to those generally considered necessary, is advisable. The factory inspectors in this country, it may be said, generally use their power and influence to secure the making of the provision of special guards compulsory and not optional, and do all they can to secure the safeguarding of machinery. Notwithstanding the cost of elaborate and special guards, the matter in question is worthy of serious consideration, although it adds so much directly to the cost of machinery, and as a result tends to increase the cost of production of both yarn and cloth; it is, however, very probable that when the charges for accidents are set against the cost of special guarding machinery, that the greater first cost will ultimately prove the cheaper, as it will certainly give more satisfaction in the long run to both employers and employed. More protection ought, however, to be afforded to employers against workpeople who neglect to avail themselves of the provisions for safeguarding provided by the employers.

SCHOOLS AND BLOCK BEAUTIFUL.

(From Harper's Weekly.)

To teach the children and inhabitants of the city to decorate their yards with vines, plants and trees is to start a crusade against present conditions that may eventually result in remarkable transformations. The Women's Municipal League of Brooklyn has undertaken this work in a practical and sensible manner, and the "Block Beautiful" is one of the results of their efforts. The league extends its influence over all the different sections of the city, and co-operates with all societies and organizations interested in civic art improvements. Several of the public schools have been transformed in outward appearance by the scholars who have been induced to experiment with window flower-boxes. All through the spring and summer these boxes produce abundant clusters of flowers and trailing vines to add variety and beauty to the street view. The unquestionable interest the children show in the cultivation of these flowers testifies to their appreciation of things beautiful. The Board of Education is now considering the advisability of extending flower culture in all the schools, for the double purpose of interesting the scholars in the plants and for decorating the front and sides of the buildings.

BOARDS OF TRADE TO MEET.

TORONTO, April 21.—The board of trade will summon a conference of the boards of trade throughout the country to meet June 4 and 5. Trade relations, defence, postal and telegraphic communication and new British duty on bread-stuffs will be considered. Resolutions adopted will be communicated to Sir Wilfred Laurier. The council of the board of trade today recommended the board to petition the government to increase the rebates now allowed on steel shipbuilding and otherwise to encourage that industry in Canada; also to prohibit the registration of foreign built ships in Canada by applying to them the same regulations as foreign countries apply to Canadian built ships.

RECENT DEATHS.

Mrs. Mary O'Leary aged 76 years, widow of John O'Leary, died at her home 45 Duke street, Carleton, Sunday. Cornelius Shea, of Chesley street, North End, died on Sunday, aged 94 years. The death occurred yesterday at his home, 297 Brussels street, of Thomas Leahy, a native of Youghal, County Cork, Ireland. He is survived by a wife and family. Mrs. James Beatty, of Hampton Village died on Sunday, and Miss Mulhally, of the same place, on Monday. Mrs. Lenahan, widow of the late Timothy Lenahan, of Woodstock, died on Saturday.

In 1845 gutta-serena trees were very abundant on Singapore Island and on the Malay peninsula, but they have been so thoroughly cleaned out that the botanical gardens at Singapore cannot obtain plants. The destruction of gutta-serena trees in Sumatra and Borneo has been widespread.

The vice of camphor smoking, which is said to be on the increase abroad, soon enslaves those who indulge in it. While the results of its use are not so dire as those of cocaine, ether or morphine, apathy, muscular weakness and sleeplessness are always experienced.

THE SHIPPING COMBINE.

Comments of the London Press on the Great Deal.

LONDON, April 22.—The morning papers discuss the shipping combination with considerable differences of opinion. While the Daily Graphic and the Daily Mail display comparative unconcern in the matter the Graphic saying that, beyond increasing rates, and, perhaps, checking the growing speed and luxury of the Atlantic passage, the combination will have little effect. The Daily Chronicle and the Daily News see the utmost danger ahead and anxiously warn the British public to beware.

The Chronicle, emphasizing the tremendous economic difficulty facing the nations in the growth of gigantic monopolies, against which, even a former man like President Roosevelt is practically helpless, declares the shipping combination "is a menace, almost, to our national position," and points out three grave considerations. The first is that the supremacy of the British mercantile marine is practically annihilated. The second is that there is good reason to believe that the Morgan party was forced into the shipping business in order to save their other undertakings and that over-capitalization may some day bring a collapse which would seriously involve the British trade; while the third consideration the Chronicle declares to be still more momentous, though it believes it to be infinitely more remote. It is a political question," says the paper, "What would be England's position in the event of war with America?"

The Chronicle dismisses the idea that such a trust would promote peace and expresses the hope that the good relations between the two countries would depend upon something more stable than the selfish interests of an utterly unscrupulous ring of monopolists. Discussing the possibility of the adoption of the ship subsidy bill inducing all the vessels in the combination to fly the American flag, the Chronicle asks what the British admiralty is doing to safeguard its rights over the subsidized White Star line cruisers.

The Daily News finds the jubilation of the American papers to be not pleasant reading, nor does it like the idea of gentlemen like J. Pierpont Morgan revolving in their minds the future fate of such ports as Liverpool and Southampton. The Daily News says:—"We are very good friends with the United States but we do not want to be swallowed by them. Doubtless the government will meet the new situation by new enthusiasm for an Anglo-American alliance. We admire this facility for making friends with the prosperous, but we are inclined to think our cousins see through it. We prefer the friendship of equal minds. If it is true that American capital will control the combination, the prospect bristles with possibilities equally unpleasant, both to Germany and Great Britain. We are much more likely to be good friends if Great Britain wakes up and earns the respect of the United States, by friendly but effective competition."

GREAT FIRE IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 22.—The damage done by the fire last night in the Barbican district of the city is roughly estimated at £2,000,000 (\$10,000,000). Altogether three large warehouses on the south side of Australian avenue, two on the north side, and buildings on both sides of New Zealand avenue, were gutted. Twenty firms and shops were burned out.

BELGIAN CRISIS PAST.

BRUSSELS, April 22.—King Leopold has responded to the petition of the chamber of commerce asking for his majesty's intervention in the present crisis, in a conciliatory, but non-committal manner, intimating that the government is carefully considering the situation and can be depended upon loyally to maintain the constitution and fulfill its duty, by adopting the policy which it deems most useful for the well being and tranquillity of the country. There was a general resumption of work this morning in the factories and coal mines of the liege.

SIX WOULD-BE ASSASSINS.

HONG KONG, April 22.—Chinese officials yesterday raided a house at Canton, and captured six men who were known to have been sent to Canton for the purpose of spreading the rebel propaganda and for the purchase of arms and supplies. The prisoners carried orders from Kwok, the rebel leader, commanding the assassination of the Manchu officials of Canton. Five hundred armed braves left Canton yesterday for Wu Chow.

STRIKE HAS LASTED A YEAR.

(Montreal Herald, Saturday.) Today the cigarmakers celebrate the first annual anniversary of their strike. After a year's contest the situation hardly shows any change, neither side showing a disposition to give in. The union has spent over \$100,000 to support the men and prosecute the boycott on Montreal products. As a result of the strike over 250 cigar makers left the city to work in cities of the United States and Western Canada. About 400, including those on strike at Granby and Brockville, are still maintained by the union. This has been the longest strike that has ever occurred in Canada, but all through it the conduct of the strikers has been most exemplary. It is safe to say no other union in Canada could have kept its members on strike for such a length of time. To the men with families the difficulty has occasioned much privation, but the unmarried element have regarded it as a holiday, and appear no ways anxious to return to work. No offers to arbitrate have been made by either side, and it is doubtful if such would be considered.



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