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northwesterly to westerly  
winds fair, much the same  
temperature.

# The Daily Mail.

THE WEATHER.  
Maritime - Moderate westerly  
winds, cloudy and compara-  
tively mild, with occasional  
light showers.

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## THE HUERTA REGIME IS NEARING ITS FINISH

The Constitutionalists are Sweeping all Before Them in Mexico--Federal Troops are Serving Without Pay and Their Loyalty Cannot be Depended Upon--Huerta is Still Defiant and Declares He Can Continue the Struggle for Years

Mexico City, Dec. 3--The enunciation of Washington's policy appears not to alarm President Huerta, especially since he long ago abandoned hope of anything but opposition from the United States. He said today:

"I have no intention of yielding. Should this fighting in Mexico continue for years, I shall continue to do my part in it, if I am still alive."

General Huerta declared that the country was self-supporting and that forced loans, if made necessary, would enable him to resist indefinitely. So long as he was able to obtain American oil, he did not regard the shutting off of native oil from the railways as vital.

WASHINGTON GRATIFIED.

Washington, Dec. 3--Government officials here were more than ever confident today that the infinite patience which the United States has shown in its treatment of the Mexican problem is soon to be rewarded by a solution brought about by operation of the great internal forces now engaged in a final struggle in Mexico. Such a conclusion has been the one principal object of the American administration.

Among the facts which form the basis of the belief that the closing chapters of the Huerta regime are now being written is a report to the state department from agents in Mexico that the federal troops are no longer in receipt of their pay, without which, experience has shown, their loyalty cannot be depended upon.

Other reports regarded as indicating the speedy triumph of the constitutionalist forces related to the precipitate flight of the heads of the families which have controlled vast estates in Northern Mexico, employing thousands of peons in agriculture, stock raising and mining. Their flight and the abandonment of their properties deprives the Huerta government of a source of revenue which is very much needed at present.

## COL. McLEOD TO BE FORCED OUT OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Provincial Secretary Treasurer Will be the Tory Candidate for Ottawa When Mr. Crockett Goes to the Bench--The Matter Has all Been Arranged by the Party Bosses--Government Meeting Here Today

The local government is in session here today and it looks as if it would be the last meeting for the gallant Col. McLeod, provincial secretary-treasurer. Much against his will, he has been selected as the Tory candidate for the federal seat for York, soon to be vacated by the appointment of Mr. O. S. Crockett, M. P., to the bench, and there is nothing for him to do but knuckle down and obey the will of his leaders. It was Premier Flemming who inaugurated the movement to transfer Col. McLeod to Ottawa, and he is naturally pleased at the outlook. As a member of the local government, Col. McLeod has been a trouble-maker and a disappointment from the first. Hon. Mr. Hazen was disappointed in him and so was Premier Flemming. His sole idea of statesmanship was to secure soft government jobs for members of the Tammany element of the party. He

quarrelled with Premier Flemming over Valley Railway matters and for some time their relations have been anything but cordial. Months ago the Premier arrived at the conclusion that he must get rid of Col. McLeod and he has since been working quietly with that end in view. He enlisted the support of Hon. Mr. Hazen and some time ago secured a promise from him to the effect that Mr. Crockett, M. P., would be appointed to the bench only on condition that Col. McLeod should stand as the Tory candidate. Col. McLeod at first flatly refused to be a party to any such arrangement. He wanted to be attorney general but was told plump and plain that he was not big enough for the job. He put up a vigorous kick and complained loudly of the shabby treatment he was receiving at the hands of Premier Flemming. Some of the uncom-

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## BANK MANAGER SHOT BY ROBBER

Former Sussex Man Meets Tragic death at Plum Coulee, Man.

Was a Son of Mayor Arnold and Manager of the Bank of Montreal

Winnipeg, Dec. 3--H. M. Arnold, manager of the Bank of Montreal here, was shot dead at noon today in an attempt to intercept a masked bandit who got away with packages of money estimated at \$10,000. He was shot down in the lane in the rear of the bank where he had followed the robber. In his hurry the robber dropped one of the packages of money which has since been returned to the bank.

"The bandit, whose whole appearance and demeanor showed him to be a man of desperate character, first held up the proprietor of the local garage and forced him at the point of a gun to hand over a car. He then proceeded direct to the bank where a large shipment of money had been sent from Winnipeg for grain buying purposes.

What happened inside can only be conjectured. How the bank manager reached the lane at the back of the bank is a mystery.

The bandit is reported to have headed south at a high rate of speed. The car has been recovered and it is, therefore, concluded that the robber is hiding in the bluffs nearby.

Mr. Arnold's body was found by the junior bank clerk on his return from lunch. He had been shot through the head and a doctor who made an examination on stated that he must have died instantly. From the position of the body there can be little doubt that the bandit turned and fired when he saw himself pursued. It is likely that Mr. Arnold threw up his hands when covered in the bank and was obliged to submit to seeing the money taken from the safe which was open for business, but left in pursuit of the robber as soon as he was able.

H. M. Arnold was born at Sussex, June 10, 1876, and leaves besides his wife and parents, Major O. R. Arnold and Mrs. Arnold, two sisters and two brothers. They are Miss Ava May Arnold of Sussex, and Mrs. Charles M. Leonard of Los Angeles, Major Reginald of the 8th Hussars, and R. V. Arnold, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at St. George.

Mr. Arnold was married about a year ago to Miss Grace Todd of Brandon, Manitoba. He had been remarkably successful in the service of the bank and had worked in several of its branches, including Hamilton, Goderich, Picton, Ont., St. John's, Nfld., and Brandon, having been at the latter place ten years. About a year ago, when the Bank of Montreal opened its branch at Plum Coulee, Mr. Arnold was placed in charge.

## TO HOLD ANTI- VIVISECTION CONGRESS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4--Arrangements are about completed for the international anti-vivisection and animal protection congress to be held in this city next week. Hundreds of delegates from all parts of the world are expected to attend the conference. Among the subjects to be taken up are those dealing with reforms in slaughtering methods in destroying animal life and kindred topics. It is hoped that the sentiment aroused by discussion at the conference will result in the early enactment of vivisection legislation by Congress.

MARRIED IN THE WEST.

Mr. Stephen P. Dunn, formerly of this city, where he was well and favorably known, was married in Winnipeg a short time ago to Miss Muriel Masters, late of the Fisher Memorial Hospital, Woodstock. Mr. Dunn since removing to the west four years ago, has been very successful and is now conductor on one of the Main Railway lines at his adopted home.

## STOCK MARKET GOING STRONG

Most of the Big Issues Take on a Two Point Rise

Bears Were Compelled to Make a Hasty Scramble for Cover Yesterday Afternoon

New York, Dec. 4--While the increased activity and strength of yesterday's stock market was traceable wholly to the professional interests, it was nevertheless significant of an expressed change of speculative sympathy. The stability of prices had been repeatedly tested by bear attacks and yesterday appeared to mark a final abandonment of attempts to force further liquidation. There is nothing fresh in the way of news or comment, but it seems pertinent to repeat that the market is in a technical position to respond easily to bullish initiative when such is inspired by developments.

(Quotations by J. C. Mackintosh & Co., Bankers and Brokers, Queen Street.)

	Open	Close
Tobacco	239 1/2	239 1/2
Copper	71 1/2	71 1/2
Brooklyn	88	88 1/2
C.P.R.	225 1/2	225 1/2
Great Northern	124 1/2	124 1/2
Lehigh	148 1/2	149 1/2
Soo	128 1/2	128 1/2
Northern Pacific	107 1/2	107 1/2
Pennsylvania	109	109 1/2
Reading	162 1/2	162 1/2
Union Pacific	152 1/2	152 1/2
U. S. Steel	56 1/2	57 1/2
Sales to 12 o'clock, 140,500 shares.		

MONTREAL STOCKS.

Montreal, Dec. 4--Richelieu was the feature of the Stock Market today, selling up to 111. Power sold up to 21 1/2. Other prices were: Iron 40 1/2, Detroit 71, C.P.R. 225 1/2, Cement 90 1/2, Iron Pfd. 95.

## CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4--The fourth national conference of the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes assembled at the Sheraton Hotel in this city today. The sessions will continue until the end of the week. Among the subjects on the programme for discussion are the needs of an international court of justice, a pan-American court of justice, and direct diplomatic settlement between parties in controversy.

## NAVAL WEDDING AT WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4--St. John's Church, in Lafayette Square, was the scene of a brilliant naval wedding this afternoon, when Miss Helen Huntington Downing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Downing of this city, became the bride of Lieut. Commander Hugo W. Osterhaus, U. S. N. The bridegroom is a son of Rear Admiral Hugo Osterhaus, U. S. N., retired, and a grandson of Gen. Peter J. Osterhaus, one of the noted commanders in the civil war.

## DIED AT OTTAWA.

The death of Mr. Lucius Dickson occurred at Ottawa Friday. The remains of the deceased were taken to Sackville for burial Tuesday, accompanied by his two daughters, Mrs. Stores of New York, and Mrs. A. R. Tibbets of Ottawa. The deceased was a brother-in-law of Senator Thompson of this city. He is survived by a widow, who was formerly Miss Snowball, daughter of Rev. John Snowball and sister of the late Governor Snowball.

President Huerta is angry over the President's message and says he will not yield to Wilson's policy.

## LEGAL BATTLE OVER BIG CALIFORNIA ESTATE

Mrs. Arcadia Baker Died Intestate Leaving Property Valued at Seven Million Dollars--Husband Who Predeceased Her, Was a Retired Army Officer--Many Claimants for the Money--Many Noted Lawyers are to Participate in Proceedings

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 4--Since the days of the contest over the estate of "Lucky" Baldwin, no legal battle for the determination of inheritance claims has caused more interest than the case involving the vast estate left by Mrs. Arcadia Stearns Baker, who died here on September 25, 1912, which is on the docket for trial tomorrow in the Los Angeles Superior Court. Some of the most noted lawyers of the state, assisted by equally noted legal experts from other states, will be arrayed against each other in this remarkable case.

The estate, which is valued at \$7,000,000 at one time belonged to Abel Stearns, one of the most prosperous pioneers of California, and was left by him to his widow when he died about forty years ago. Seven years after his death his widow married Colonel R. S. Baker, a retired army officer without property, who died ten years afterward. When Mrs. Baker died more than a year ago it was found that she had left no will. Her relatives of whom there are thirty-seven in California, made a claim for the estate which had been turned over for administration to the Title Insurance and Trust Company of Los Angeles.

## MANY CLAIMANTS.

Then the question developed as to who had a just claim upon the estate. There is a provision in the California statutes to the effect that when a widow dies without issue and without leaving a will the property she had obtained from the deceased husband and had not disposed of during her life-time, reverts to the heirs of the husband. It is under this provision that the forty or more relatives of Abel Stearns, the founder of the great fortune, are making their claim for the vast estate. Most of the contesting relatives of Stearns are residents of New England, while practically all the contesting relatives of Mrs. Baker are residents of California.

The California statute is quite clear in its phraseology and the decision of the case will probably hinge upon the interpretation of the law concerning the force and meaning of a will under certain conditions. When Stearns died he left a will by which he left to his widow the bulk of his estate to do with it as she saw fit. The will is not disputed by either side, but the Eastern contestants of the estate claim that, although the will gave the widow possession and

## SOCIETY EVENTS OF THE WEEK

This week the Monday Afternoon Club met with Mrs. C. Fred Chestnut, when Mrs. Jas. Sproul won the prize.

Mr. Frank Shute of Yarmouth, who was attending the funeral of his father-in-law, Mr. W. T. Whitehead, left for home on Tuesday. Many of town gentlemen came to pay their last tribute of respect to their late friend, Mr. Whitehead.

Mrs. Ralph Gunter (nee Miss Gladys Richards) held her post-nuptial reception on Tuesday at the residence of Mrs. Gunter, University Avenue. Mrs. Gunter wore a pretty white lace gown, with tunic of Dresden chiffon, with girle of Nile green satin. Mrs. Herbert Gunter, mother-in-law of the bride, received with her, and wore a very lovely gown of black satin, with touches of white.

In the dining room Mrs. Daniel Richards wearing a black satin gown, with white net collars and cuffs, and Mrs. Chas. Whelpley wearing a white crepe de chene, presided at a daintily appointed table, which was centered with a silver

candlebra and at each corner of the table were cut glass vases with a yellow chrysanthemum.

Mrs. Robert McLellan who served the ices at a side table, wore a champagne colored silk gown the bodice of which was trimmed with heavy lace the same color as the gown. With this costume Mrs. McLellan wore a black velvet hat with black and white plumes.

Mrs. William Gunter, who ushered the guests to the dining room wore a white crepe de chene gown with touches of pink, and black velvet hat with white facings. Those assisting with refreshments were the Misses Campbell, Frances Hawthorn and Edith McMurray.

On Tuesday, Miss Myrtle Lottimer was a young hostess at the tea hour. Mrs. W. T. Chestnut, who received with her daughter, wore a pretty blue satin gown with touches of yellow. Miss Lottimer wore a pretty coral colored satin gown with touches of blue on the bodice.

Mrs. H. G. Chestnut, who ushered

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