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## SIXTY-FIVE YEARS ON THE THRONE OF AUSTRIA

Emperor Francis Joseph Has Established a Unique Record--His Royal Subjects Celebrate the Event With Great Eclat--Religious Anniversary Services Held in all the Churches--Complications are in Store for the Dual Monarch When Emperor Passes Away

Vienna, Dec. 2.—Loved and revered by the people of his polyglot dual monarchy, Emperor Francis Joseph today completed the sixty-fifth year of his reign. Everywhere throughout the monarchy the anniversary of the Emperor's accession to the throne was observed by his loyal subjects without regard of race, rank or condition; not boisterously and with any great public display, but with genuine sentiments of love and with the fervent hope that the Emperor's life may be spared for many years to come. Religious anniversary services were held in all the churches and although there were no great public demonstrations and festivities even in the imperial capital, the day was universally remembered and was made the occasion for many demonstrations of popular devotion to the Emperor.

Francis Joseph was not always the idol of the people. When he succeeded to the throne on December 2, 1848, after the abdication of his uncle Ferdinand, his popularity was by no means beyond doubt. But the young ruler, having re-established peace by diplomacy and a judicious use of force, devoted all his energies to the betterment of conditions in all parts of the monarchy and by his invariable justice, kindness and devotion to his people, gradually won their respect and love and became the most beloved of all European rulers.

### A DUAL MONARCHY.

It is not love for their venerable monarch alone which inspires loyal Austrians to pray for the prolongation of the Emperor's life, but the dread of the uncertainties of the future if the Emperor should die. It is fully realized that the most serious complications are in store for the dual monarchy in that case. Under the Salic law, by which the succession to the throne of Austria is governed, the succession follows in the male line of the Hapsburg family. When Crown Prince Rudolf, the Emperor's only son, met his death in a mysterious manner in 1889, the succession to the throne devolved upon the Archduke Karl Ludwig, younger brother of the Emperor. The Archduke died in 1896 and his eldest son, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, born in 1863, became the heir-presumptive to the Austrian throne.

Archduke Francis Ferdinand has never been popular in Austria. He is strongly identified with the ultra-montane or church party, is reputed

a reactionary, has no regard or consideration for the people who will some day be his subjects and considers them too far beneath him to deserve recognition. He is also known to be a slavophil, another reason for the German-speaking Austrians to dislike him. Under the so-called Pragmatic Sanction the crown of Hungary shall always be held by the occupant of the throne of Austria. By virtue of this document, the existence of which has recently been questioned Francis Ferdinand would, thanks to his succession to the Austrian throne, become ipso facto King of Hungary. But the Hungarians have no love for Francis Ferdinand. They have shown an inclination to emancipate themselves from the shadow of the Pragmatic Sanction and, as the Salic Law has no power in Hungary, the Hungarians will probably recognize Archduchess Elizabeth, daughter of the late Crown Prince Rudolf, as the rightful heir to the crown of St. Stephen.

This eventuality was foreseen by the Emperor and his advisers and an effort was made to bring about a marriage between Francis Ferdinand and Archduchess Elizabeth. But the plan was frustrated by the obstinacy of Francis Ferdinand, who had fallen in love with Countess Chotek, formerly a lady of the court. In spite of the Emperor's opposition Francis Ferdinand entered into a morganatic marriage with the handsome Countess and the Emperor acquiesced in the arrangement, after Francis Ferdinand had signed a document relinquishing all rights to the throne for any sons from this morganatic union.

As Francis Ferdinand is not likely to enter into another marriage with a princess of royal blood, the throne, after his death, would go to his nephew, Archduke Karl Francis Joseph, who is married to Princess Zita of Parma and has a son by her. Unfortunately there is a prospect that matters will not run smoothly in the future. The morganatic wife of Francis Ferdinand is by no means willing to give up for her children the right to the throne and it is believed that her husband is determined, in the case of the Emperor's death, to declare the former Countess Chotek his rightful consort and entitled to the title of Empress. This step would meet with powerful opposition in many quarters and cause no end of complications if not serious disturbances which might endanger the internal peace if not the integrity of the monarchy.

## THE POWER OF PRESIDENT HUERTA IS A MILITARY DESPOTISM

(By private wire to J. C. MacKintosh & Co., Queen Street.)

Washington, Dec. 2.—The main points of the President's message to Congress are as follows:—Sherman Law approved but requires supplemental examination to clarify its purpose and strengthen it a special message on that subject is promised.

Arbitration treaties before Senate should be ratified and others negotiated.

Only standard by which to determine controversies between United States and other nations in our honor and our obligation to the peace of the world.

In Mexico the power of Huerta is a military despotism, a hateful power. Its collapse is not far away and it will not be necessary to alter our policy of watchful waiting.

Early passage of Currency bill is recommended but no specification as to form of bill stated, except that it must be followed by a farmers credit measure.

McAdoo's distribution of treasury funds approved.

Direct presidential primaries are advocated together with conventions to include candidates for national offices so that they may be held directly responsible for platform pledges.

A broader measure of self government for the insular possessions favored.

Government construction of roads and harbors in Alaska should be assumed as precedent to development of the territory.

National employers liability act recommended, would call international Congress for discussion of questions affecting safety at sea.

### TRUST LEGISLATION

Concerning trust examination the president says:—"The immediate service we owe the business communities of the country is to prevent private monopoly more effectively. I think it

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## C. P. R. STOCK GOING STRONG

Has Recovered the Amount of the Dividend Since Yesterday

The President's Message to Congress is Awaited With Considerable Interest

New York, Dec. 2.—Interest will centre on the President's message to Congress, which will be made public at one o'clock today.

Pending the publication of this message the market is likely to remain within its rut of idleness, nor for that matter is it believed that the President's views will stimulate much activity either way.

The recent action of the market has tended to strengthen the view that liquidation has been thorough, and that any favorable news would meet a fair response in quoted values.

## FREDERICTON SCOTS ROYALLY CELEBRATE ST. ANDREWS DAY

Pleasant Gathering in the K. of P. Hall, York Street Last Evening--Interesting Program Carried Out--Speeches by O. S. Crockett, M. P. and Dr. C. C. Jones

The Society of St. Andrew of Fredericton celebrated St. Andrew's Day last night by holding a very enjoyable smoking concert at the Knights of Pythias Hall, York street. The occasion was well observed, all entering into the spirit of the anniversary. The addresses were in keeping with St. Andrew's Day and the songs and readings also. The skirl of the pipes was furnished by Piper Fred Hayter of St. John, and Sandy Gibb of the same city, gave some good examples of the sword dance, the Highland Fling and the hornpipe. The gathering broke up at an early hour this morning.

The address of the evening was delivered by O. S. Crockett, M.P., who gave an excellent discourse upon Scotland and the achievements of the Scottish race. Chancellor Jones of the University of New Brunswick also gave an interesting discourse upon historic Scotland and his experiences there. Offen's Orchestra was in attendance.

The program was as follows: Address, President F. L. Cooper. "Scots Wha Hae," double quartette. Toast, "The King," National Anthem.

Highland Fling, Sandy Gibb, accompanied by Piper Fred Hayter. Greetings, read by secretary. "The Day and a Wha Honor It," O. S. Crockett, M.P.

Toast, drunk to "Scots Wha Hae," by Piper Hayter.

"Ye Banks and Braes O' Bonnie Doone," George Brown.

Chorus, "Lock Lomond," Address, Dr. C. C. Jones.

Solo, D. Leo Dolan.

Selection, quartette, Messrs. D. Staples, L. Wandless, George Wandless, F. Hazlett.

Sword Dance, Sandy Gibb, with Pipe accompaniment by Piper Fred Hayter.

Reading, "The Aberdeen Dominie," W. M. Kesson.

Burlesque Oratorio, "Jimmy's Law," Wm. J. Smith, A.R.C.O.

Hornpipe, Sandy Gibb, piano accompaniment by Piper Fred Hayter.

Solo, "The Barrin' of Oor Door," George Ross.

"Auld Lang Syne."

### FROM FREDERICTON.

The Fredericton Society of St. Andrew's sent out the following card

## COCHRANE TO QUIT JOB

Borden's Minister of Railways in Poor Health and Will Soon Resign

Col. S. M. Hughes May be His Successor and Col. Currie May Get Militia Portfolio

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—It is stated here tonight on reliable authority that the resignation of Hon. Frank Cochrane, as minister of railways and canals, is likely to be announced in the near future and that a new minister will be sworn in before parliament meets next month.

The minister is seriously ill and will not be in a position to undertake any arduous work for months. His medical advisers have ordered a complete rest for some months.

Colonel Currie, M.P. for North Simcoe, is mentioned as the most likely man to be brought into the cabinet in place of Mr. Cochrane. He may either take the railway portfolio or else the militia portfolio, with Col. Hon. Sam Hughes transferred to the department of railways.

## JUDGESHIP QUESTION MAY BE SETTLED SOON

Local Government to Meet Here on Thursday, When It is Expected the Supreme Court Act Will be Proclaimed--Col. McLeod Likely to be the Tory Candidate for Ottawa--Mr. Pinder Will be Provided for--Empire Savers are at Loggerheads

The local government is to meet on Thursday of this week when another effort will be made to induce Attorney General Grimmer to proclaim the Supreme Court Act of last session, which creates an additional judgeship. This judgeship it will be remembered, was promised to Mr. O. S. Crockett, M.P., at the point of the pistol and the little delay in several months in the delivery of the goods has been due to the stubbornness of the attorney general, who feels that the call to higher service should have come to him. However, to meet the exigencies of the party, he has consented to step aside for the present in favor of Mr. Crockett, with the understanding that he will be called upon to succeed Chief Justice Barker, who is booked for retirement the latter part of this month.

It is said that the attorney general has been given a promise that the two appointments will be made at the same time and that he (Grimmer) will be given seniority over Mr. Crockett.

### BY-ELECTIONS COMING.

The appointment of Mr. Crockett to the bench will mean a federal and local by-election in York and Mr. Grimmer's appointment will mean two local by-elections in Charlotte. In York one of the present M.P.'s will be the federal candidate, while in Charlotte Hon. George J. Clarke's acceptance of the office of attorney general will make one vacancy while the other will be occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Mr. Grimmer.

In York it has not yet been definitely settled as to which one of the M.P.'s will be the federal candidate. Two of them, viz.: Pinder and Young, have been seeking the honor, while in the case of the third viz.: Col. McLeod, a determined effort is being made to thrust it upon him and it looks as if he was going to be the man. Some surprise is expressed that he should be willing to exchange a job worth \$3000 per year for one that will not pay out more than \$2500. It is a well known fact that Premier Flemming is heartily in favor of the movement to transfer Col. McLeod to a back bench on the government side at Ottawa. The premier's position is somewhat similar to that taken by the late lamented Artemus Ward at the time the American Civil War broke out. Mr. Ward took the ground that in a time of national peril everybody should be willing to make some sacrifice and as for himself he was willing to sacrifice all his wife's relatives. Premier Flemming feels that a great crisis is at hand and to help things out and avert war he is willing to sacrifice his provincial secretary. As for the provincial secretary himself he would prefer to remain in Fredericton, but he has no choice in the matter and must stack his duds and quit his present job.

### BOOMS DYING OUT.

The Pinder boom for Ottawa appears to have died out for the present at least. It is said that the old gentleman had been promised "something just as good" and has tacitly consented to lay low for the present and await developments.

The boom which Mr. John Young, M.P.P., has been industriously working up for himself also seems to have dropped out of sight. The Young boom was directed only at Mr. Pinder and now that the old gent has apparently been frightened out of the field it has died a natural death. Mr. Young has gone out of the boom business and is once more manufacturing sawdust on the Tay Creek.

Even though they have made a sort of truce, the "Empire Savers" of York are not yet what may be termed a happy family. Mr. Crockett's proposed retirement from politics has brought joy to the graft faction of the party.

"He is a sorehead anyway," remarked one of the leaders a few days ago, "and we are glad he is getting out."

"He is leaving things in a terrible mess in the county," was the remark made by another. "Why, if he were to go before a party convention now for a re-nomination, he would get the votes of only three men—Pinder, Dunk Thomas and Charlie Thomas. As a patronage dispenser Ossie has been a failure."

Other leading lights in what is known as the graft section of the party are equally outspoken in their condemnation of Mr. Crockett. Mr. Andy Humble, Mr. Horatio Grant, Mr. Charles Forbes, Mr. P. A. Guthrie, Mr. Harry Blair and all the other great and influential men of the party are emphatically of the opinion that Crockett is a political accident as well as a political failure and should, in the party interest be regulated to a bench of some kind with the least possible delay.

## TOWNSITE LOTS SOLD AT CROWN LAND OFFICE

Only Three at McGivney Were Sold--Twelve Sold at Town of Richards

At the Crown Land Office at noon today lots on the townsite of McGivney at the intersection of the Canada Eastern Branch of the I.R.C. and the townsite of Richards, on the line of the International Railway, were offered for sale. There was little bidding. But three lots at McGivney were sold. Twelve or fourteen lots at Richards were sold, chiefly to settlers now there and all at upset price.

The details were as follows: Lot No. 1, Chaleur Bay Mills, \$200. Lot No. 2, Euclid Potvin, \$100. Lot No. 3, Robert St. Onge, \$50. Lot No. 4, Hermigilde Boulay, \$100. Lot No. 5, Robert St. Onge, \$125. Lot No. 6, Leonard Martin, \$50. Lot No. 7, Robert St. Onge, \$75. Lot No. 8, Hermengilde Boulay, \$75. Lot No. 11, David Champoux, \$50. Lot No. 12, David Champoux, \$50. Lot No. 13, Robert St. Onge, \$50. Only three lots of the McGivney townsite were sold. A. C. Chapman of Moncton, bid them in for \$25 each. They were lots No. 63, No. 69 and No. 7.

## WATER-SUPPLY SYSTEM SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT

The big Allis Chalmers engine at the pumping station of the city water system stopped this morning shortly before four o'clock and for some time citizens who desired to draw water were forced to go without. Complaints poured in by telephone to the pumping station and Ald. Everett, chairman of the Water Committee, was also notified and went to the pumping station to look into the matter. The small engine was put into use after a time and the pressure restored.

### TO BE BEFORE COUNCIL.

It is expected that Ald. Farrell will make reference to this matter at the meeting of the City Council tonight. The alderman states that he was called out of bed on the telephone about the matter and personally knows that the water pressure

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