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## VOTE FOR THE OPPOSITION AND TURN THE GRAFTERS OUT

### Deny That Cuban Troubles Are Due to German Intrigue A Former Canadian Government Official

Cuban Consul at Paris Issues a Statement--- Says Election Bitterness Started the Row--- French Make a Surprise Attack on the Western Front.

PARIS. Feb. 20.—The Cuban consulate at Havre has issued a statement denving a report that troubles in Cuba are due to German intrigue, ac-western front and he therefore died cording to a Havas despatch from that city. The statement says that the while fighting the King to whom he disturbances in Cuba are due solelyly to the bitter nature of the presidential election. "Not only have the Germans no influence in Cuba," says the Berlin in 1903, and joined the Mounted censul, "but they have still less power to create difficulties between Cuba and the United States, to which latter country Cubans are bound by great left the force and joined the staff of interests and a lively sense of gratitude.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Arthur Neville Chamberlain, director general of his friends that his grandmother in Pierre by Newfoundland, and the consent of Newfoundland to national service, went to the stock exchange today to urge the members to Berlin was very sick so he had to reassist in the national service. He suggested that they consider closing feet for Berlin early in June. the exchange for a day or part of a day each week so that they and their employees might do work of national importance.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—Active artillery engagements occurred last night Baltimore, Ind., at high noo ntoday to said, there is a dispute between France and England regardbetween the Oise and the Aisne, and in the region north of Flirey. A sur- Mr. Francia Abercrombie Hyde, of that ing Newfoundland fishing regulations which adversely affect prise attack by the French resulted in the taking of prisoners.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—A Central News despatch from Zurich today says: "The Austrian Emperor has given a long audience to Count Czernin, minister of foreign affairs, who previously had a conference with Frederick K Penfield, the United States Ambassador to Austria.

#### Appeal to Poles to Fight for the Teutons

Has Apparently Fallen Upon Deaf Ears GENEVA, Switzerland, Feb. 20.—The appeal to the Polein the newly proclaimed kingdom to enlist in the Polish army fallen on deaf ears, according to recent information brough! from Warsaw by neutral and German visitors.

The cadres of the new army have been formed, and a considerable number of officers and men from the old Austrian Polish legion and from the Polish troops of the German army have been brought to the occupied district of Poland to instruct the Polish volunteers, but only a few hundred

#### Poles Will Await the Outcome of the War

#### Before Committing Themselves to New Order

The Polish workmen and peasants, it appears from the show a decided disinclination to take up arms, and the lahor underground operations in the United States. shortage in Germany has been made good in no small degree. it is asserted, by an exodus to Germany of Poles who feared being impressed into the new army.

The fear of the consequences in case Russian rule should by any possibility be re-established, exercises a lively deterrent influence upon many Poles, and there is asserted to be ,a quite idespread determination to wait and see the result of the war before they commit themselves to the new order.

#### PENALTIES FOR ESPIONAGE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The administration's espionage bill, providing severe penalties for spying on matters of national defence and punishing conspiracies to violate Amercan neutrality, was passed today by the Senate.

Vienna, is said by Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent to have

#### Died Fighting for Britain's Enemies

Killed in Action on the Wes'ern

the Immigration Office in Winnipeg.

#### Wedded at Baltimore.

The Authorities Looking For German Agents coast of Canada. Among the Steerage Passengers---No Sensational Developments Thus Far.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 20.-Immigration officers examintroops, most of them students in Warsaw university, are said ing the passengers on the steamer Frederick VIII., the ship to have come forward. The two Polish army corps, of which carrying to Copenhagen Count Von Bernstorff and the German the German advocates of the establishment of the new Poland embassy and consular officials from the United States, started

The immigration officials are, it is understood, being asaccounts of developments in Poland that have reached here, sisted by detectives, who have worked at watching Germany's

carefully examined for contraband and documents that may onions, variously ascribed to short crops, heavy demand, specthrow light upon any plots against Canadian property that they ulation and railway congestion. may have hatched across the line. This work is likely to take up three or four days and after it is concluded the ship will be released. The authorities conducting the searching operations are still maintaining secreey as to whether or not there Manhattan and the Williamsburg and Brownsville districts of have been sensational developments in their task.

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Matter of Acquiring the French Colony of St. Pierre May be Dealt With at Imperial Conference---Union Canada Talked of.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20-An Associated Press despatch from Johns, Newfoundland, today says:

An active cause of friction between Great Britain, France and the United States would be removed if means could be He remained until the last week in found at the conference of British colonial premiers in Lon-May, 1914, when he suddenly informed don this month for the acquisition of the French colony of St. join the Dominion of Canada, according to the opinion expressed by a government official today. In the belief that a regrouping of the British overseas possessions would be considered by the conference, a member of the Newfoundland Miss Sarah Ellen Anderson, eldest government pointed out that political as well as physical eledaughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ander | ments would enter into the consideration of any changes in son, of Kingsclear, was married at the North American portion of the Empire. At present, he the French fishermen of St. Pierre. This dispute, though now quiescent, is capable any time of becoming a sore spot.

#### French Fishermen Get a Bounty and are Able to Undersell the Newfoundlanders

France pays bounties to her St. Pierre fishermen, thereby enabling them to undersell Newfoundlanedrs. Accordingly, Newfoundland denies to the French fleet bait found mainly

States over the fisheries was ended by The Hague fishery award all concerned might be reached through direct negotiations in the altered conditions of the war. Such an arrangement might also be extended to American fishing privileges on the

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NEW YORK, Feb. 20. - The city authorities today renewtry, to co-operate in bringing food supplies to line New York market. The situation resulted from a number of unprece-The personal effects of the steerage passengers will be dented jumps in the price of staples, particularly potatoes and

#### A Thousand Women in a Riot.

The indignation of housewives in the lower east side of Brooklyn overflowed when the produce peddlers quoted pota-Mr. Charles Cremin, the well known toes from 5 to 7 cents a pound and onions from 15 to 18 guide, left last evening on a business trip to Boston, New York and Providence, to be absent a fortnight.

The police estimated that at least 1,000 women took part in the riot in Brownsville. Push carls were overturned Mrs. Beverley Lawrence, of Burit's

Corner, and Mrs. M. L. Jewett, of Mill
The law against bribery and corrupThere weer similar scenes elsewhere and the police had their

DECLARATION ASKED FOR.

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