

A BIG BATTLE IS IMMINENT

Mexican Insurrectos
and Federal Troops
Likely to Clash
Any Moment

General Orozco Has a Strong Force
Well Armed With Modern Guns
and Rifles.

(Canadian Press)

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 4.—Two armies led by the ablest commanders of the revolutionary government are threatening Juarez today, both being encamped only a short distance from the city. One is under command of General Blanco, who came from the west with five hundred men and the other is led by General Pasquale Orozco, the dashing young leader who has been waiting for twenty-four hours for the surrender of the town which he has already proclaimed the capital of the provisional government.

Seventy-five men worked all night digging mines about the city. These mines were filled with powder and can be touched off from Juarez as the insurrectos approach. There was no rest in the city last night. Armed men hurried to and fro in the streets and at this time the silence was disturbed by the sound of desultory firing a few miles from the city. It was said here today that several sharp skirmishes had taken place, but the extent of the casualties was unknown.

San Francisco, Feb. 4.—United States regular soldiers equipped for active field service, for the first time since the Spanish American War are being rushed today to the Mexican frontier in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. Four troops of the cavalry stationed at the Presidio, are speeding on two special trains to Calexico, California, Yuma Nogales and Tucson Arizona.

Soldiers from other stations in the west will preserve the neutrality of the New Mexican and Texas lines.

El Paso, Feb. 4.—At 3 o'clock this morning Juarez is lined with soldiers police guards, federal and state rurales expecting an attack at any moment.

Orozco's forces are at the foot of the Juarez Mountains and is expected to reach the city about sun-up. No reinforcements for the federals are in sight.

General Orozco and General Delahante forces are reported to have made a junction at six o'clock yesterday evening at Bancel eleven miles south of Juarez. The insurrectos are said to have four rapid fire guns, one Long Tom, and four Howitzers of an ancient model. They are reported to be armed with Krag-Jorgensen rifles of the latest pattern.

Both railroads have been cut off South of Juarez, wires are down and Mexico City is unable to furnish relief. Therefore it is believed that Juarez must fall when the revolutionists advance.

THE HARROW BANDIT COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

(Canadian Press)

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 4.—Hanlan Wright, "The Harrow Bandit" was given a preliminary hearing before police magistrate Leggatt here yesterday and committed for trial. The principal witness against young Wright was his uncle William Wright a wealthy farmer of Harrow from whom the young man attempted to obtain \$5,000 by threatening him with death. He told the court that for four days he had been forced to barricade himself inside his house fearing his nephew would shoot him on sight as he had so often threatened to do.

CHURCHES INADEQUATE FOR QUEENS STUDENTS

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 4.—A circular issued at Queens states for adequate religious work among the students at the university, the convention services and the churches of the city have been found insufficient. This statement is borne by the following salient facts:

"Not over twenty-five per cent. have a definite church home."

SUFFRAGETTES MAKING THREATS

Say They Will Mob
the King of His
Speech Does
Not Suit

Police Authorities Adopt Stringent
Measures to Cope With the
Militants.

(Canadian Press)

London, Feb. 4.—Threats from militant suffragettes that they will mob King George on Monday of his speech at the opening of parliament does not indicate a wish that the franchise be granted to women, resulted in extraordinary police activity today.

The parliament buildings will be surrounded by the largest number of police that has ever been called out at the opening of parliament. The authorities feel that the declarations of the women that they will use greater violence than they have ever manifested here before, will be carried out. In fact fear over the suffragette question is causing the authorities as much worry as the anarchists. There are now said to be more than two score members of continental anarchist bodies under secret arrest and more are being taken into custody daily.

According to one report which reached the police today, leaders of the suffragettes have purchased a large supply of locks and chains planning to lock themselves to the seats if they are to make their way past the guards.

RUSSIAN CONVICTS IN BLOODY MUTINY

Moscow, Feb. 4.—Convicts in the Central Forwarding Prison mutinied today and killed four of the penitentiary guards. They were subdued only after a bloody battle. It is said that several of the convicts were shot to death.

The attempt had been well planned. The leader was a notorious anarchist who has, the police say, committed at least a dozen murders.

The man had secretly secured a number of tools from the prison workshops, which they had converted into weapons.

The men, led by the anarchist, rushed upon the guards, who were at first beaten back and several reached the offices and the gates.

At the gates the mutineers were fired on and turned back. The main battle was fought in the prison offices where the four officials were killed. They were beaten to death in the most brutal manner before the convicts could be subdued.

BAND OF GYPSIES TO BE DEPORTED

Toronto, Feb. 4.—A band of gypsies who have been encamped around Eglington for some time have been taken in charge by the Dominion Immigration Officers last night preparatory to being deported to the United States today. The encampment consisted of a number of men, women and children, four wagons, several horses and four brown bears. Officers of the Children's Aid Society recently visited the band and found several children running out in the snow barefooted.

FORTY BODIES WASHED ON COAST OF SPAIN

Madrid, Feb. 4.—Forty bodies have been washed ashore from the wrecks from ships which went to pieces in the recent storm which has swept the coasts for three days. The tempest died out early today leaving a great deal of work for the life savers. The coast patrols have reported to the minister of marine that a score of vessels were wrecked in the gale and that probably more than 100 have perished.

Mr. A. M. Bouillon, of the N.T.C. railway engineering staff, arrived from St. John last night.

KING AND QUEEN KIND TO THE POOR



CHILDREN WAITING WITH THEIR CANS AND JUGS FOR MILK.

London, Feb. 4.—Stories of the kindness of the King and Queen to the poor could be told almost without end. A most interesting and animated sight is to be seen every morning

at the church rooms, Windsor, where a group of happy, laughing children assemble to receive their quarts and pints of warm milk, allotted to them by the King. Eighty quarts of milk are sent from the royal dairies every

morning to the poor people of the town, and the children troop to the church rooms to receive their allowances. Parents with large families get a quart, and those with smaller families get a pint.

TO INVESTIGATE ABDUL HAMID'S CONDITION

(Canadian Press.)

Constantinople, Feb. 4.—Physicians will be sent to Salonika to inquire into the sanity of Abdul Hamid, former ruler of Turkey as a result of dispatches from there saying he has killed two of his wives. If he is found incurably insane, he will be removed to a mad house.

The open charge is made here that he was driven insane by the brutality of the guards stationed around him by the Young Turks when he was exiled. This has caused great indignation and it is feared it may give rise to the most dangerous movement on the part of the reactionaries since the Young Turks overthrew the government.

The government is trying to suppress the facts in the case giving rise to conflicting reports. It has been denied that Abdul is suffering aberrations notwithstanding the fact that secret reports have been coming from Salonika stating that he has been insane for some time.

CHICAGO GARMENT STRIKE BROUGHT TO A CLOSE

(Canadian Press.)

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Monday will see the beginning of the return of the garment strikers in Chicago to their work. The strike is ended by unanimous consent of the leaders and of the workers, who fearful lest their places in the shops be filled and the union destroyed have agreed to return to work.

The strike lasted 133 days and cost the workers some \$3,000,000 in wages and cost the employers \$4,000,000. The strike cost four lives and 876 members of the garment workers union has been arrested for rioting.

LORD STRATHCONA TO HAVE PORT OF HONOR

London, Feb. 4.—At the formal opening of parliament on Monday, robes and the other high commission Lord Strathcona will wear his peer's ers the levee dress. They will have seats to the right of the throne near the ambassadors. The Daily Mail says:

This recognition of the width of the empire possesses a significance impossible to overlook and throws upon the essential ceremonies of parliament to the Dominions as well as to the United Kingdom.

Mr. C. E. McKay, of Brockville, is at the Barker House.

Mr. James A. Adams, of Halifax, is at the Queen.

MISSING OFFICER'S NAME STRUCK FROM THE ROLLS

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 4.—The name of Lieutenant Frederick Fernor-Hesketh of the Ninth Lancers, who strangely dropped out of sight last fall, today was struck from the rolls of the British Army, because of absence from duty without leave.

The lieutenant is the second son of Thomas Gorme Fernor and Lady Fernor-Hesketh.

A world-wide search for the lieutenant, instituted soon after his disappearance, failed to discover any clue to his whereabouts.

He was educated at the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, and at Trinity College, Cambridge. He is described as a handsome man and of a pleasing personality. He left his mother's residence at Easton Neston Twister on the afternoon of Oct. 28, after saying that he would return soon for dinner. The last seen of him was on the following morning, when he landed from a steamer at Kingstown, Ireland. It has been suggested that he sailed for America. The family can offer no explanation.

PERSIAN MINISTER SHOT IN THE STREETS

Teheran, Persia., Feb. 4.—Samied Dowleh, Persian minister of finance, was shot dead in the street today. His assassins, two Armenians, escaped for a time.

The minister was returning home from a meeting of parliament when he was attacked. Death was almost instantaneous. As he fell the murderers turned and fled but were quickly pursued by persons who had witnessed the killing. There was great excitement throughout the city as the news spread.

RAILWAY OFFICIALS HELD FOR GRAND JURY

New York, Feb. 4.—Seven officials and employees of the Central Railroad of New Jersey and the Dupont Powder Co. and Capt. James Healing of the Katherine W. the destroyed powder boat, arraigned on charges of manslaughter in connection with the disastrous dynamite explosion at Communipaw last Wednesday, waived examination today before Judge Queen in Jersey City and were ordered held under bonds to await the action of the Hudson County Grand Jury.

Mr. T. G. Hetherington, of Fort Kent, Me., is in the city.

Mrs. James Steadman was a passenger to St. John Friday morning.

NATIONAL DRUG COMPANY SUFFERS BIG FIRE LOSS

(Canadian Press)

Halifax, Feb. 4.—The four story brick building occupied by the National Drug and Chemical Company, was gutted by fire this morning. The Merchant's Bank of Canada, which had temporary quarters in the building, had their fixtures destroyed, involving a loss of about \$2,000.

The bank officials succeeded in closing the vault in time to save its contents. The cash in the drawers, amounting to about \$2,000, was conveyed to the Board of Trade rooms.

The insurance on the building and stock amounts to \$20,000.

CHICAGO SALOON KEEPER SHOT IN A QUARREL

Chicago, Feb. 4.—C. P. Bertch, a saloon proprietor, widely known in Chicago politics and better known as "Barney Bertch" was shot last night by Patrick Guerin, also well known politically in Chicago. The men quarreled in a saloon, and both drew revolvers. Bertch's injuries are fatal.

RUSSIAN PRISONER RETRACTS CONFESSION

St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—Dr. Pantchenko, the self styled poisoner in court retracted his confession that he had deliberately murdered Count Vassili Bouturin at the instigation of the latter's brother-in-law Count O'Brien Deassy. The accused physicians asserted that he had been induced to make the admissions of guilt by promises made him by the examining magistrate in the original inquiry.

PRUSSIA IS INCREASING IN POPULATION

Berlin, Feb. 4.—Prussia has a population of 40,157,573. The official figures as recorded on December 1, 1910, were made public today.

Prussia, the chief state of the German empire, had a population in 1905 of approximately 37,000,000.

"A critic said my last painting lacked warmth. What do you suggest."

"A fire."—New York American.

Why are human eyes like persons remote from one another?

Because, although they may correspond, they never meet.

His Wife—Do tell; that must be them hardened criminals we hear about.—Harper's Weekly.

MUCH INSANITY IN THE FAMILY

Ontario Man Who
Murdered His Child
is Becoming a
Lunatic

Some Startling Discoveries in Regard
to the Family Have Lately Been
Brought to Light.

(Canadian Press)

Goderich, Ont., Feb. 4.—Mr. George Vanstone, murderer of his six-year-old son, whom he pounded to death, a few weeks ago, while the mother and other small children looked on, is believed to be fast approaching a condition of lunacy and there are scattered all over the province members of this family afflicted with the same disease, which apparently made Vanstone a murderer. Half a dozen of them are already confined in asylums or have died through it.

Some startling discoveries regarding the Vanstone family were brought to light here this week, when a doctor was called to attend the case of a woman living in a charitable home in this city who is afflicted with a nervous disorder known as Huntington's Chorea, which, at the age of thirty or later, leaves its sufferers insane. In dealing with the case, a chart was made of the family going back to this woman's grandfather. The most interesting discovery was the fact that George Vanstone now charged with murder, is a member of the family. The grandfather had nine children, six of whom have already died of the disease, one of them was delivered to asylum for insane, one of the three also has the taint, this being the mother of the London woman. In the remaining two branches, one is the second generation down without any trace, while the other has the disease in the third generation down, after a lapse of two generations. In the third generation as a whole, there are thirteen afflicted already of whom four are in asylums, one is charged with murder and eight have died of the disease, one of them in the London Asylum. This is a total of six who have died in asylums or are confined there now.

Nairobi, British East Africa, Feb. 4.—George Grey, a brother of Sir Edward Grey, the British Minister of Foreign Affairs, died during the night at the hospital to which he was removed following his encounter with a lion last Tuesday.

Mr. Grey with several companions was stalking near the Athiri River when he separated from the others and was suddenly set upon by a large beast. He was badly wounded before his friends could come to his rescue.

SIR EDWARD GREY'S BROTHER SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES

St. John, Feb. 4.—Mr. Charles D. Trueman, who formerly conducted a grocery store on the south wharf, suffered a stroke of paralysis on Thursday and no hope for his recovery is entertained. His daughter has been called home from Montreal.

ST. JOHN BUSINESS MAN HAS PARALYTIC STROKE

(Special to Mail)

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BIG THUNDER STORM IN NEW YORK THIS MORNING

New York, Feb. 4.—A terrific thunder storm unique in the annals of the weather bureau for this season of the year, struck New York this morning. It was accompanied by vivid lightning and a torrential downpour of rain.

MANAGEMENT SERIES.
In the Management Committee series in the Curling Rink yesterday, F. P. Hatt defeated A. S. McFarlane, 11 to 9, and L. C. Magnutt defeated C. F. Randolph 21 to 6.

SPURIOUS STOCK ON THE MARKET

A Large Block of
Little Nipissing is
Now Going the
Rounds

Secretary-Treasurer of the Company is
Among the Missing—Toronto Banks
Taken In.

(Canadian Press)

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 4.—A large stock of spurious stock in the Little Nipissing Silver Cobalt Co. Ltd. has been placed on the market and the former secretary treasurer Reginald W. Eyre is missing. This is the situation which is confronting the new directors of the Company. The auditors are still working on the books but 200,000 shares of bad stock are known to be in circulation.

Wm. S. Milne, the new secretary treasurer of the company said: "We discovered the facts at noon on Tuesday and the books were closed at one o'clock. We are not prepared to say as to how much of the bad stock has been put out. There should be a quarter of a million of stock in the treasury, but that amount is not there."

A well known New York brokerage firm and the names of a Toronto broker are connected by "street" rumor with the distribution of the stock. It is stated that Eyre took a block to New York and raising a large sum of it came back to Toronto and proceeded to corner the Little Nipissing market by buying up the floating blocks. Unfortunately for his scheme, the stock disposed of in New York followed him back to Toronto and he purchased a large amount of his own creation before he was aware of the situation so the story goes. It is stated that more than one Toronto bank has a bunch of the stock tucked away as security on loans.

THE STOCK MARKET STILL BUOYANT

Quotations from direct private wires
of J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers,
St. John, N. B., Members of
Montreal Stock Exchange.

	OPEN NOON
Amalgamated	65 1/2
Atchafson	105 1/2
Smelters	79 1/2
Brooklyn	78
Canadian Pacific	208 1/2
Great Northern pf.	129 1/2
Northern Pacific	126 1/2
Pennsylvania	128 1/2
Reading	159 1/2
Southern Pacific	120
Union Pacific	178 1/2
U. S. Steel, Com.	80 1/2
LaRosa	6 1/2
Nipissing	102 1/2
Dominion Iron, Com.	60 1/2
Quebec Bank	145

WRECKED PASSENGERS HAD HARD TIME OF IT

San Francisco, Feb. 4.—One of the most thrilling tales of starvation ever resulting from a railroad accident, was told here today by passengers of the Western Pacific train No. 7, which left Salt Lake City on January 21, and was overtaken by landslides near Virginia, Calif. The passengers made their way to this city after suffering frightful hardships. They were carried for miles upon a train made up of hand-cars, after climbing over the mountain-like piles of dirt and rock which hemmed in the train. The food supply grew so short that the passengers had to content themselves with one biscuit a day while making the hand-car journey. One passenger, John Kelly, of Sierraville, Calif., died.

MANILLA EARTHQUAKES

Manila, Feb. 4.—The earthquakes, which have continued for several days coincident with the eruptions from Mount Tagal, are decreasing in intensity and frequency. At noon today a total of thirteen quakes had been recorded as the observatory.