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A VEXATIOUS QUESTION.

Mayor Prefontaine of Montreal does not conceal his disappointment at being overlooked when the honor of Knighthood was bestowed on Canadians. The Mayor, like his confrere Mayor and Premier Parent of Quebec could have had a C. M. G. which carries no title with it, but he declined, and quite properly so. The title of "Sir" would have been none to important for the Mayor of the greatest city in Canada. C. M. G.'s are flung around quite indiscriminately, even a member of the civil service at Ottawa securing one.

It is understood that imperial titles in Canada are conferred on the recommendation of the federal ministers. Mayor Prefontaine claims that the names of himself, Premier Parent and Senator Drummond were submitted for Knighthood by Lord Minto's advisers, but that His Excellency, without consulting the Prime Minister, had the names cut out of the list, a most unheard of and unwarranted proceeding. If Mayor Prefontaine is correct in his information, he is quite right in kicking vigorously, and Lord Minto's action should be brought to the notice of the King. A Governor General has his functions, but if he interferes in matters that do not concern him, as Mayor Prefontaine alleges, he should be taught a lesson.

It is said that a number of Canadians are yet to be honored before the Duke leaves Canada, and that the maritime province list will not be made known until His Royal Highness is about to embark at Halifax. Who will receive the honors, is beyond even conjecture, but it may be assumed that lieutenant governors and federal ministers will appear in the list. A great many people believe that Hon. Dr. Borden, minister of militia, will be honored for his share in forwarding Canadian soldiers to South Africa, and that Hon. W. S. Fielding may be knighted for his preferential tariff which has been so warmly commended in the old country. His Majesty has conferred honors on two of the heads of one great Canadian Railway system, and it would not create great surprise if he recognized the head of another. We shall see. In the meantime it does not look as if there will be anything better than a C. M. G. for Canadian mayors, especially if the Governor General's attitude is correctly represented by His Worship of Montreal.

REBELLIOUS BRITISH SUBJECTS.

It is evident that the war with the Boers will not be over until all disloyalty in Cape Colony is suppressed. That province is mostly inhabited by Dutch who are in open rebellion against Britain, and upon whom the Boers are depending for reinforcement. There seems to be treachery right under the nose of the British general, and it is even suggested that the enemy are getting supplies of ammunition through Capetown. Cape Colony from the Orange River to the sea is said to be in a condition of open or incipient rebellion. A letter from The London Express correspondent at Cape Town tells of pillaging commandoes wandering free from serious interference, of farms deserted by their rebel proprietors, of armored trains that have been forced to patrol the lines as far south as Paarl or Worcester, and of the strengthening of the defences of Cape Town itself. For the first time it is now known in this country that Scheepers succeeded in capturing loyal delegates on their return to their homes in Out-

hoorn from welcoming the Duke of Cornwall at Cape Town.

NOT ON THE PROGRAMME.

There was a pathetic incident at the presentation of South African medals at Ottawa when blind trooper Mulloy received his medal from the Duke's hands and was kindly spoken to by both the Duke and Duchess, and there was a comical incident later which has found its way into the newspapers. It occurred immediately after the Duke had unveiled the statue to Her Late Majesty. Sir Wilfrid Laurier led the cheering, and had requested Mr. Fred Cook to start "God Save the King." It was started, and the crowd were taking up the note in grand voice, when suddenly the Guards' band broke in and guillotined the melody just at the "Send him victorious" stave. No sooner did the band finish its tune, however, than Mr. W. H. Dixon went on with, "Send him, etc." as if the strain had never been interrupted, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier without changing a muscle, followed the grand old tune to the end.

Le Press, the most influential French paper of Montreal has this to say regarding the Duke's reception in that city.

"A remarkable thing is that there was no shade of difference between the enthusiasm of the French and the enthusiasm of the English. No one drew from his origin that he was less enthusiastic than his Saxon neighbor. Things passed off as if it had been a family festival. Now, when prejudiced politicians wish to judge us honestly, they need but surprise us indeed, in our artless simplicity of peaceful and contented subjects, unable even to imagine that one could be disloyal.

When Sir Thomas Shaughnessy president of the C. P. R. wired to his parents that the King had conferred the honor of Knighthood on him he added, "one owes a great deal to a good father and mother." Sir Thomas' parents who reside at Milwaukee where he was born, are aged people, who were unable to give their son more than a common school education. Sir Thomas did the rest himself, but in his high position does not forget what he owes his parents.

Moncton Transcript: The New Brunswick Tory papers are extremely desirous that the Hon. H. R. Emerson shall not enter the Dominion cabinet. The probabilities are that Mr. Emerson's personal wishes accord with those of the Tory journals, and that he would rather accept a position on the bench; but he is too loyal a Liberal not to bow to the wishes of the Liberal leaders and the majority of his political friends.

The late Sheriff Sturdee, of St. John, was well and favorably known in Fredericton where he completed his studies and married his wife, and general sympathy will be extended to his bereaved family.

There is still a hope that the Duke and Duchess may occupy the two St. John residences placed at their disposal. Negotiations are said to be still in progress to that end.

The election petition against Col. Tucker, M. P., was dismissed at St. John Tuesday.

MARYSVILLE NEWS.

(Special Correspondence to The Herald.)

Sept. 25.—Miss Edna Smith has returned to her home in St. John after spending a few days with her friend, Miss Laura Likely.

Mrs. Joseph Robinson and Miss Grace Robinson, of St. Stephen, and Thomas Murray, of Milltown, who have been spending the past week here with relatives, started to drive home on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Haslam, of Carleton, is visiting Mrs. Cadwallader. Mr. Haslam spent Sunday here also.

Miss Snider is home again from a lengthy visit to the States.

Mrs. White, of California, who for the past two weeks has been the guest of Mrs. A. G. Robinson, left on Saturday.

James Myers arrived home on Monday evening from a lumber camp up river quite sick. We hope to soon see him about again.

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home in Augusta, Maine. He is accompanied by his daughter, Susan, who has spent the past eight weeks with friends here and at Stanley.

Miss Clara Miller, who has been away for the past three months, on account of ill health, has returned, quite recovered.

Miss Alice Millican and some friends, on returning from town last Friday afternoon, left some parcels on the doorstep of her house, she went into a neighbour's house for a few minutes, and on going back her parcels were there all right, but some sneak thief had come along and taken her pocket-book, which contained quite a sum of money.

Some of the members of the choir of our churches are to take part in the musical portion of the Christian Endeavor meetings to be held in the Methodist church, Fredericton, tomorrow evening.

A MAN EATER'S WORK.

Adml. Kempff has forwarded to the navy department at Washington, an official report, thrilling in its details, of the biting off of the leg of Quartermaster S. McKie, third class, of the gunboat Annapolis, by a shark or other mammoth sea monster.

The Annapolis has been stationed off late at Iloilo, and on June 24 last, a party was sent out for rifle target practice. Comdr. Rohrer, in command of the Annapolis, states that permission was given to several of the men to go swimming. McKie joined them. He made a dive and was gone for several seconds. When he appeared he shouted, "Shark, shark." The surface of the water was covered with blood near where he came up. McKie was pulled into the boat by his companions. A horrible sight met their eyes, the quartermaster's leg having been bitten off near the knee. It was necessary to amputate the limb between the knee and hip.

Adml. Kempff, in endorsing the papers, holds that as the quartermaster had received permission from the officer in charge to go in bathing, the accident occurred in the line of duty. Under the circumstances Mr. McKie probably will receive a pension.

Purse Lost.

The finder of a leather purse containing a small sum of money will confer a favor by leaving it at the Herald office.

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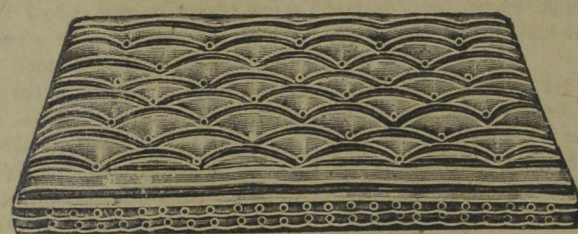
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