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ON DANGEROUS GROUND.

A London cable says that Lord Strathcona has urged on the Women's Immigration Association, Canada's need of women settlers. The noble Lord had better beware unless he desires to forfeit the good opinion of the unmarried women of this country. The eligible maidens of Canada, if we mistake not, will resent any effort to bring unmarried women to the Dominion. They are not prepared to sit silently by and see their chances for matrimony decimated by the arrival of eligible females from Europe or any other place. It may be necessary for our unmarried women to organize in defence of their own interests if Lord Strathcona's representations have weight in the old country. In any event if an immigration of unmarried women to Canada is to be organized on a large scale, it must be stipulated that the strangers must go to the North west where women are said to be scarce and wives in great demand, but in these maritime provinces at least, the young men have no need to look to importations for rulers of their prospective households.

BLAIR AND EMMERSON.

Tories who have been talking with apparent delight of alleged strained relations between the Minister of Railways and Hon. H. R. Emmerson, will be disappointed in reading the latter's speech delivered Friday in the House of Commons.

Mr. Barker of Hamilton had intimated that Mr. Blair and Mr. Emmerson were not on the best of terms, and the latter in his address made these observations:

"My friend (Mr. Barker) has been kind enough to make a personal reference to myself in connection with the minister of railways. He said, I do not quote his exact words, that it was rumored that the honorable minister of railways and the member for Westmorland, (Mr. Emmerson) were not on the best of terms. Let me tell my honorable friend (Mr. Barker) that I have been a close and intimate friend of the minister of railways for a quarter of a century, and let me tell him that from the beginning of our acquaintanceship down to the present moment, our personal relations have not in any sense been strained in the slightest. Let me tell the honorable gentleman (Mr. Barker) that we have been in close communication."

"Do my honorable friends opposite think that is strange? I do not belong to any nest of traitors. I have never been associated in any system of brigandage, political or otherwise. I have never gone into a constituency and had an ex-colleague of mine, a gentleman who was my premier, come into the county and canvas against me and refer to me in terms that were certainly anything but complimentary. I have never been placed in any such position. I can say that as regards the minister of railways and myself in so far as our personal relations are concerned, they have always been of the most amicable and friendly character, even during this session, from the very commencement of it down to the present day."

Mr. Emmerson continuing, admitted that he had not always agreed with Mr. Blair's management of the I. C. R. with respect to continuing some of the Tory bosses in office. He felt that the minister should be surrounded with men in full sympathy with the minister, and he had told Mr. Blair so, but this had not disturbed the cordial relations that have always existed between the minister and the member for Westmorland.

THE ST. JOHN TRAGEDY.

Dr. Scammell, who made the autopsy on the body of the old man Oulton at St. John, gives it as his positive opinion that the hermit's death was the result of foul play. It appears now that Oulton was alive Wednesday morning and was seen on a garbage dump near his home in conversation with another man, whom the witness cannot describe. It was supposed heretofore that Oulton was last seen alive Tuesday night when he had his supper at Gillespie's. On Wednesday night the discovery was made that he was dead. There are certainly strong suspicious circumstances connected with his death, especially in view of Dr. Scammell's positive opinion that the old man was the victim of foul play.

In the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and P. E. Island 1,224 men have enlisted in the fourth Canadian contingent for South Africa, New Brunswick's quota being 148. The balance of the contingent will include 100 men from the permanent force, and 608 to be raised in the west, to whom 276 have already been secured.

A number of the Truro school children in charge of their teachers who visited and inspected the Daily News office the other day, wrote essays on what they saw there. One little girl mentioned among the first objects that met her view on entering the office was Mr. Dimock, the editor, who, as she put it, "makes up all the things he puts in the paper."

Steam Trawling in the Pacific.

A scheme is on foot in Victoria, B. C., for the establishment on an extensive scale of steam trawling, a mode of fishing which is entirely new to our Pacific waters, where our gill nets, drag seines and bait hooks have been solely used. This style of fishing, which consists in the use of a huge dredge or beam trawl, dragging along the bottom of the sea, is most effective for the capture of halibut and flat fish, such as the sole. It is thought that the adoption of steam trawling will result in large catches of excellent fish, which cannot be taken by the methods at present employed. Hitherto the fishery authorities in Canada have not favored the use of the beam trawl, owing to the conflict which took place in European waters, especially off the coasts of Scotland, between the ordinary fishermen and steam trawl companies. On three occasions during the last ten years attempts have been made to introduce steam trawling on the Atlantic coast of Canada, but the Fisheries Department did not regard the innovation with favor, and in some cases the experiments were disappointing. Hence, these enterprises in Canadian waters fell through. The Canadian fishery laws do not make any provision for steam trawling, but the impression prevails that if the enterprise is revived it will meet with greater favor than was formerly extended. The New Zealand Government has lately been experimenting with the steam trawl, and 150 hauls were made along the coast of that colony, resulting in the capture of some ten species of valuable fish. A report recently issued by the Government of New Zealand speaks hopefully of this mode of fishing.

How the Kangaroo Fights.

The kangaroo fights with great address and intelligence, and if he can find a stream or water hole in which to await his foes he will station himself waist deep in it and, pushing the dogs under one by one as they swim out to attack him, either drown them outright or compel them to retire for want of breath. Against human enemies, armed only with clubs or stirrup irons, the kangaroo often shows himself a clever boxer, warding off blows very dexterously with his fore paws and now and then making forward bounds, with rapid play of his dangerous hind feet which are difficult to avoid.

Magpies and the Stork.

Once, when joining a shooting party in England, the German emperor happened to see a magpie fly right over his head. Turning round to the Duke of Cambridge, who was with the party, his majesty said: "I have just seen a magpie. Now, I'm not a particularly superstitious kind of a man, but I don't like to tumble across these wretched birds, I don't, indeed."

The duke laughed and said cheerfully: "Does your majesty know our old saying concerning the superstition about magpies? 'One for sorrow, two for mirth, three for a wedding, four for a birth.' Your majesty must look round for a second or a third or a fourth magpie."

"Oh, indeed?" thoughtfully replied the kaiser. "A fourth magpie means a birth, does it? But supposing there is a fifth magpie, what then?" "If you see a fifth magpie," answered the duke, very solemnly, "it means twins!"

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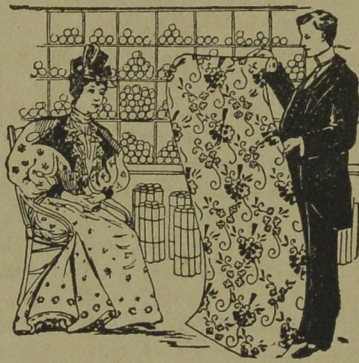
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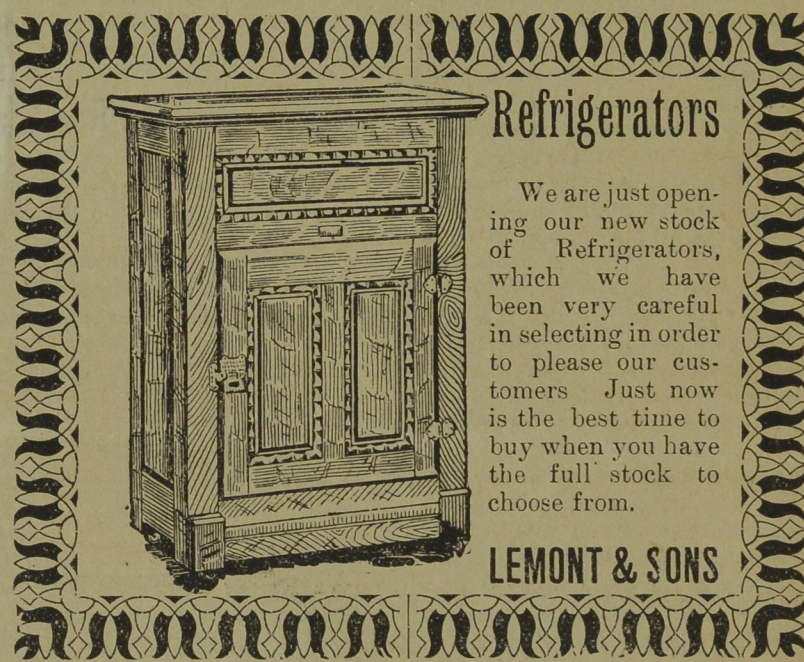
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