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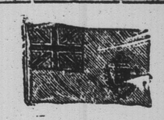

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THE CRISIS AT OTTAWA.

The resignation of seven Ministers of the Crown at Ottawa has taken the country by surprise, and has for the moment caused liberal-conservatives to question, is there danger of disruption?

The whole matter stands thus. When Sir Mackenzie Bowell became Premier he declined to accede to His Excellency's request and obtain the report of his colleagues as to who should lead them. He informed His Excellency that if he were commissioned to form a government he would reply whether or not he would undertake it, but that His Excellency was exceeding his prerogative in suggesting that the colleagues should be consulted. It was then suggested that the opinion of Sir Frank Smith should be asked. He concurred in Mr. Bowell's being the man. His Excellency then commissioned Mr. Bowell to form a cabinet.

It is stated that instead of then calling his old colleagues together and consulting them, that he took them in detail and obtained the capitutation of each in succession.

Thus, at the outset, Mr. Bowell lost, in a measure, the confidence of his Ministers and friends who were cognizant of the circumstances.

Then, his extravagant utterances on the Manitoba school question, far beyond what the necessity of the case demanded, indicated great weakness and lack of management. He led his Ministers into an extremely critical position regarding that vexed question.

There were other problems, too, which showed plainly that the hand guiding the helm was not strong enough for the vigor of the liberal-conservative party.

In North Onta io the electors proved that they are true to liberal-conservative principles. The school question was kept out of the contest. Yet, the roman catholic vote instead of proving grateful to Sir Mackenzie Bowell for his pledges of remedial legislation, actually went stronger grit than ever.

In Cardwell, too, the roman catholic vote, instead of supporting Sir Mackenzie Bowell's candidate, actually divided between the grit and the McCarthyite, and refused to support the conservative. So, too, in both Montreal Centre and in Jacques Cartier the roman catholic conservative vote refused to support the conservative candidates who were both roman catholics and favored remedial legislation.

Then again, Sir MacKenzie Bowell has failed to fill his cabinet, though repeatedly pressed to do so.

These with other causes led the seven ministers, Foster, Haggart, Tupper, Montague, Dickey, Ives and Wood, to resign rather than longer bear the burdens and odium of such government.

What he outcome may be is difficult to determine. It is probable however that, while it is true Sir Mackenzie Bowell and his remaining colleagues, Sir Frank Smith, Messrs. Ouimet, Caron, Daly and Ferguson, have been performing very strange acts in making all sorts of appointments, he will resign and send for Sir Charles Tupper, senior, to form a cabinet.

Should such be the case there is no doubt whatever that the old liberal-conservative party will rally once more and press on to glorious victory.

The issues are too vital to risk a break up of the old party. The interests are too far reaching to permit even the chance of allowing he re orm party to come into power. The grand project of upbuilding Canada and the British Empire must not be imperilled at such a critical juncture as this.

Whether Sir Mackenzie Bowell plays the man and the patriot and sends for Sir Charles Tupper, senior, to form a cabinet or performs the part of a poltroon and a coward by seeking to wreck the party is merely a question of a day or two at the farthest The great majority of Sir Mackenzie's friends feel certain he will advise His Excellency to summon the old war horse of Cumberland, and go down like a true Briton with no stain on his name and fame.

That in a week the old liberal-conservative party will be once more firmly united under a brave leader seems certain. Then victory is assured.

THE TRANSVAAL WAR CLOUD.

Dr. Jamieson, a capable Scotch leader in South Africa, recently by arrangement with "Uitlanders," British and United States residents in the Transvaal, invaded that republic with four hundred men.

It will be remembered that under Mr. Gladstone the Boers were granted their virtual independence against the demands of the whole British public.

The plan of this campaign was, the British and United States in the Transvaal were to rise in revold and assist Dr. Jamieson. This they failed to do, so the gallant doctor with his four hundred men fought for three days against upwards of two thousand entrenched Boers.

Hon. Cecil Rhodes, president of the South African company, has resigned his position, and it is surmised will lead an attack on the Transvaal.

Meantime the relations between Germany and England are very strained.

SINGLE HANDED.

Perhaps never in the history of the last fifty years has the world been stirred with such exciting and absorbing topics of discussion as in the last two years. First the Siam alarm, the Japo-China war, the Armenian bungle, the Venezuelan question, and now we are getting into trouble with Emperor William of Germany.

That worthy has been famed for his war-like tendencies, and has not been training, reviewing, revising and exhorting his soldiers to more efficiency and completeness for nothing. Having secured all this, he now comes out with a saucy and impertinent letter, insulting Englishmen, with the Transvaal troubles as a pretext.

Another nation, except England, with Germany against her, America unfriendly, France doubtful, and even Italy compelled by circumstances to hold aloof, and with the Sultan and all the petty chiefs of Africa combined, with other principalities zealous of their possessions and eager to join in a general revolt, would tremble and perhaps submit to the demands of hostility But not so England. She has not lost that old spirit of independence and courage which was so characteristic of the Englishmen of old, and made her the ruler of the waves. Any atempt to infringe on English liberty, freedom or territory, will but arouse that ever restless spirit of old, and then—beware

England is not afraid of any long array of combined allies; she has stood up to them before, without bringing stain or blemish on her arms, and she can do it again. An Englishman summed up the situation the other day when he said, "But by God, let them come on, we'll fight them single handed."

SOUTH AFRICA'S MINING BOOM.

In London and New York markets it is a common occurrence for stocks to quote 1000 or 1500 of their face value, and these and almost all others which have been launched on the market have been subscribed to, and in many cases millions of money have been readily supplied without questioning or condition.

But the latest venture beats the record. In less than half a year a small enterprise in Africa has gradually grown into a mania for wild speculation, and whereas African gold mining stocks brought barely their face value on the market stock, have now risen to 3000 per cent., although so far no dividends have been given.

In England the Kaffir craze has about reached its limit, consequently there is not a man, woman or child in the country who has not discussed Kaffir stock, and everyone of means, even presumable means, receives no end of prospectuses. Every newspaper (English) contains long columns of mining companies advertisements, and everybody is in a state of feverish speculative activity, scrambling, trodding, tumbling over everyone else to grab for Kaffir stock and tremendous riches. And all this because of Barney Barnato, who launched Kaffir stock in the British market, a man who some say is a product of the Whitechapel district of London, and whom others say has had money all his life.

Whatever accounts say, he is the same wonder, who in 1886 went to Johannesbury gold fields in the Transvaal republic and invested in a few mines for a mere song, as the diggers were unable to meet with the heavy, monthly, government license money. But Barney did, each mine turning out a trump, so that Barnato was a wealthy man. Thus buying mine after mine in 1892, he became head of the DeBeers company, the present sole owners of the fields

To-day he is styled the "Kaffir King," "sole King of South Africa," "ruler of the Kaffirs," and with the exception of Cecil Rhoades, the prime minister of Cape Colony, is the richest man in Africa. London people place his wealth at $50,000,000, while careful Wall street men rate him between 3 and 4 millions. Whatever it is, it cannot be denied that he has met with wonderful success, and is one of the few speculators who has been fortunate.

EAST GALWAY.

Special to The Warder

TERRIFIC cold weather up here now. Snow fell within the few last days to the depth of half a foot. The little "Irondale" has been late the last two trips, hindered by the snow or something, making it very disagreeable for the mail carriers who have to wait there at the furnace crossing in the cold some two or more hours after the time the mail is due, and the Kinmount train has been up to time regularly.

Mr. H. V. Cosh has just finished plastering Mr. George J. McKee's house at Ewan. He is an expert hand at the trade.

Galway council all returned by acclamation. Michael Mansfield, reeve; James Allen, Michael Collins, John Gilmore, George J. McKee, councillors.

Mr. Joseph Smith, Cavendish, lost a fine three year old colt with inflammation

Miss Lizzie White, of Ewan, Swamp lake, celebrated her 18th birthday by making a nice little gathering of the neighboring young folks, when there was an enjoyable evening spent in all kinds of games. We wish Miss White many more happy years.

PETERBORO.

QUEEN'S OWN LODGE.—Last night a largely attended meeting of Queen's Own lodge, L T B, No 48, was held at which the following visitors were present:—Grand organizer R Newman P G M, Toronto; Bro N Ingram grand secretary, Port Perry; Bro Sloan deputy grand master; Bros W Wilson and Morrison Victoria lodge No 56 Bridgenorth; Sister Allison, Maple Leaf No 7; Bro Batt, Toronto. The following officers were elected:—William Tremain worshipful master; R Sutherland deputy master; George Sloan recording secretary; S Adlum financial secretary; W Allison treasurer; H Blackstock D of C, Wm Wilson outside tyler; E G Dormer, George Collins Wm Gibson. A Fletcher and Wm Jackson, committee; E G Dormer, G Collins, J Rome, Wm Tremaine and G Evans, auditors; Wm Tremaine, A Fletcher, T Hetherington and G Evans, sick committee The officers were duly installed by Bro N Ingram, after which speeches were made by the grand lodge officers, the visiting brethren and the newly elected officers. The lodge adjourned to Bro M. Jamieson's hotel, where a sumptuous spread was did ample justice.—Peterboro Times, Jan. 4.

HARTLEY.

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TEA MEETING.—On New Year's night a grand tea meeting under the auspices of the methodist congregation was held in this village, which was a decided success in every respect. The good ladies of the congregation provided an abundance of necessary provisions to satisfy all who attended. Tea was served in the town hall, after which an excellent programme was rendered in the church It consisted of good music by the choir from Powles Corners, addresses by the pastor, Rev Mr Wilkinson. Rev. Anderson, Mr. McKee and others. The occasion was a delightful one which pleased all who attended $50 was realized, which goes to re-model the church. A social held the following Friday evening was also a success.

PERSONAL.—Mr. A McEachern, of Toronto, and Mr. Jno. N. Campbell visited friends here on New Year's day, and took in the tea meeting.....Mr. Hugh Cameron, formerly of this section, left on Monday last to join his brother, Lauchlin, in Mabile, Alabama On Wednesday his brother Alex. left for Minneapolis, where he is engaged as foreman on a large farm owned by Mr. Gunn, near that city. We wish those young men every success.....Mr O N Campbell, who left here three years ago for Manitoba, is at present enjoying a visit at the parental home.....Mr James Campbell, another Eldon boy who left twenty years ago, is also a welcome visitor amongst his many friends in this part.

GOODERHAM.

Special to the Warder

THE municipal elections for the township of Gamorgan passed off very quietly. Messrs. Hunter, Switzer, White and Tindale were elected, the last named gaining his seat by the casting vote of the clerk, Mr Alsop having an equal number of votes. Better luck next time Brock!

THE council are pledged to strict economy, on account of the heavy rates which exceed the amount allowed by the municipal act to be struck. If I am not misinformed there is a clause in the act forbidding any expenditure until the existing debts of the municipality are brought within the limit prescribed by law.

OWING to the heavy weather the orange entertainment has been postponed until March.

THE young man who was struck by a skid across the head while decking logs in one of Howery's camps here, we are sorry to hear has died in the hospital at Fenelon. A singular fatality seems to attach to that lumber firm's operations here, several persons having already met a violent death whilst working for them in this neighborhood.

OUR "Neddie" is recovering, thanks to the skilful treatment of Dr. Frost.

THIS village is thinking of organizing a vigilance committee to look after the roughs and others that prowl around here at most unreasonable hours and also those parties, who after paying their dues to Bacchus, indulge too freely and loudly in obscene and profane language as well as making the night hideous with their shouting. We are determined that such things shall be put to a stop too as we wish our children to grow up model men and women.

MRS SCOTT, the wife of our favorite hotel keeper here, has been very ill, but we are glad to learn is slowing improving.

DUNSFORD.

Special to The Warder

WEDDING BELLS.—On New Years day the home of Mr. Wm. White, Dunsford, was the scene of merriment and laughter, it being one of those interesting events which reminds one of music, sunshine, love and flowers The bride on this occasion was Miss Annie Florence White, second eldest daughter of Mr Wm. White, one of Dunsford's most popular young ladies. The groom was Mr. James Arthur Thurston, son of Mr. Robt. Thurston, of Dunsford, and is a general favorite with all. At five o'clock in the afternoon while Mrs. J. A. Bell, of Dunsford, played the wedding march, the tall handsome groom accompanied by his cousin, Mr. Walter Kennedy, who rendered able assistance through the trying ordeal, entered the parlor and awaited the arrival of the bride, who entered shortly after on the arm of her eldest brother, Mr. Gilbert White, and was followed by the bridesmaid, Miss Carrie Fisher, of Lindsay, cousin of the bride. The tieing of the nuptial knot was performed by the Rev. Mr. Metherell of the methodist church, and the interesting ceremony was witnessed by over one hundred invited guests. The bride looked charming in a gown of cream cashmere trimmed with cream silk lace and ribbon with the full empire puff sleeves completed at the elbow with frill of cashmere and lace and wore a white silk bridal veil draped very gracefully with orange blossoms. The bridesmaid looked very pretty in a gown of pale blue crepon with collarette of cream lace and sleeves with full empire puffs completed at the elbow with frill of crepon and lace. After the ceremony was performed and congratulations received, all repaired to the dining room where an excellent tea was prepared. Much credit is due the groomsman, Mr. Walter Kennedy for the clever and artistic way in which he cut and served the beautifully four story brides cake. Many elegant and valuable presents were given to the bride and groom, showing the esteem in which they are held. The following afternoon and evening a reception was held at the residence of the grooms father at which a large number of guests were entertained right royally by Mr and Mrs. Robt. Thurston. We wish the bride and groom a long, happy and prosperous life.

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Ottawa Notes.

Parliament opened on Thursday last week 2nd January. The attendance was not large owing to the fact that it was known an adjournment until Tuesday 7th inst., would take place.

Besides the formal opening ceremonies, the booming of cannon, galloping of Ottawa lancers a handsome body of men, well officered and well mounted, the presenting of arms by the Guards, and the reading of the address by His Excellency, there was little of special note to the general public.

After the commons had returned from the opening ceremonies and was formally opened, Major John A. McGillivray the newly elected member for North Ontario, was introduced by Hon. Dr. Montague and Major Sam. Hughes, and took his seat.

The majority of the members returned to their homes on Thursday night.

Inasmuch as E H. Hopkins Esq., ex-reeve of Ops, and ex warden of Victoria county, was to appear before the railway committee of the privy council on Saturday, there to meet the Grand Trunk railway representatives regarding Fenelon road crossing in Ops, Mr Hughes returned on Friday night to Ottawa in order to be of whatever assistance he might be to his old friend Hopkins, and for the welfare of the township of Ops and the county of Victoria.

Mr. Hopkins in very clear and concise terms presented the case for the township, while John Bell Esq., Q C, solicitor for the company, E. P. Hannaford Esq., chief engineer of the Grand Trunk and others represented that corporation.

The decision is that the government engineer is to meet with the parties interested and come to satisfactory conclusion over it.

The weather was intensely cold in the capital during the week.

A surprise was sprung on the city and country on Saturday night by the resignation of seven of the cabinet ministers. These were Hon. Messrs. Foster, Haggart, Tupper, Ives, Montague, Dickey and Wood.

They allege that Sir Mackenzie Bowell has not been able to successfully conduct the government and has been unable to fill his cabinet properly.

Monday the excitement was high and rumors of all kinds were rife. Half a dozen cabinet makers were at work and the wild anxious looks of some of them lent bent to the opinion that some were overcome by the mental strain already on. Especially was this applicable to the grits. Their schemes were and are many from coalition to straight defeat of the tories.

The house reassembled on Tuesday, all the resigned ministers were in their places; but Sir Adolph Caron was the minister in command. The only ministers then in office were Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Sir A. P. Caron, Hon. J. A. Ouimet, Hon. Mr. Daly, Hon. Mr. Costigan, Sir Frank Smith, and Hon. Mr. Ferguson.

An adjournment was made until Wednesday when another would be made till Thursday, then to be adjourned for ten days.

Hon. John Dobson arrived on Tuesday morning, looking hale and hearty.

The member for North Victoria received a message from Lindsay on Tuesday requesting government assistance towards removing or caring for the band of wandering "Arabs" in Ops township near Glandine. The matter is entirely beyond the jurisdiction of the federal authorities, and they cannot interfere.

The political situation is serious in the extreme. But conservatives have every confidence. The party was never stronger in the hearts of the people or local leaders than to-day and when the cabinet becomes re organized under able leadership as it will be in a day or two, it will present an unbroken front to the enemy, and win within a few months a glorious victory.

Robert Birmingham, Esq., of Toronto, organizer for the party, is in the city during the crisis.

Marriages

MONTGOMERY—HUTCHINSON.—At the residence of the bride's father, Jan 1st, 1896 by Rev. A. S. Chates, M. A., John James Montgomery of the township of Ops, to Susanna Mary Hutchinson of Bexley.

BRUCE—MITCHELL.—By the Rev. J W Totten, January 1st, at the residence of Mr. James Mitchell, brother of the bride, Mr. Samuel T. Bruce of Cartwright to Miss Mary E. Mitchell, of Manvers.

Deaths.

BRIEN.—At lot 5, concession 10 Fenelon, on Saturday, January 4th, 1896, James Brien, aged 70 years.

McNABB.—At Islay, in Fenelon township, on Tuesday, Jan. 2nd, 1896, Mr. Alexander McNabb, aged 55 years.

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OWING to the inclemency of the weather on Xmas day, our enterprising town was well represented during the day, and especially in the evening. A good many of our local shots were on hand at A B's annual shooting match, where close firing was done, over 120 shots inside of a six inch ring and 14 were bull-eyes in a 2½ inch ring. Allow me to inform you that we have no regiment here, but if Uncle Sam had any idea of the amount of lead that could be used by our regulars' and placed in a spot from Coby alone, he would at once recognize his dangerous position in turning Canada as a battle field. If he had only realized and given this phrase due consideration he would have by no means made such and abrupt statement. Oh, by the way, did he ever give it the thought and fully understand that there is no end to our lead mines, which are now at their highest capacity in a few minutes notice. Uncle Sam prefers new atmosphere. He finds this too heavy and is now waiting for the next balcon for parts unknown. (North Pole). In all 21 birds were won. G Murray capturing the cup; R Callon, consolative prize. Following is a list of competitors:—G Murray 5 birds, 290 points; D McRae 3 b, 290 p; J Moore 3 b. 215 p; A J Carl 2 b, 205 p; J McBain 2 b, 200 p; G Arbuckle 2 b, 165 p; C Woodcock 1 b 130 p; R Atcheson 1 b, 105 p, J Fell 1 b, 100 p; A Clifford 0 b, 55 p; S Embury 0 b, 55 points; J Graham 1 b, 45 p; R Callon 0 b, 35 p; G Watson 0 b, 30 p; G Richman 0 b, 25 p; W Phillips 0 b, 25 p; E Finley 0 b, 20 p; C Moore 0 b, 20 p; J Routley 0 b, 5 p; C Weaver 0 b, 5 p.

THE oyster supper and entertainment given by the C.O.O.F, of Coboconk on X mas night was a grand success. Supper was served in eloquent style by the sisters or the brothers. After a good jollification at the tables followed the concert, in which Bro A B Carl took the chair and officiated in his usual manner, causing lots of laughter. Next on the programme was music by Miss Clifford; recitation, Miss Heslip; recitation, Miss Harlow; song, Mabel Clifford; reading, Bro Drader; speech, Bro Chaffee; song and guitar music, Mrs A B Carl; reading, Bro A B Carl; song, Bro Drader; farce, Victoria club; reading, Bro Drader; speech, Bro Carl; song, Bro Drader.

BUSINESS looking up; sleighing good; weather cold, only 20 below zero.

SPORTING.—Rubber Neck is in the pick of condition under his new jockey.....White Face is going very fast by quarters. No doubt "Freddie" will hold him down.... Blackstone made a new record by going through his tug under the new jockey Sheldon, coming under the wire in 2.30. Blackstock smiled, money in him yet.

War at Her Doors.

New York, Jan. 7.—A special cable to the New York Sun says:—"Get ready," is the cry which is ringing through England in tones which have only one meaning. The country has suddenly been seized with the idea that war is at its very doors. The danger is undoubtedly exaggerated in the popular mind, and perhaps in the official mind as well, if one may judge by the reports of tireless activity at the admiralty and war departments. I say that the danger is exaggerated on the assumption that the astounding report is false which comes from Berlin, to the effect that Emperor William has assured Dr. Leyd, the representative of the Transvaal government, that Germany will support that government in defence of the Boer republic, and will send a minister resident to Pretoria in place of the present consul.

Should this report prove true, the first step taken by the German Emperor would be followed by a declaration of war by Great Britain. The sending of a minister which ranks as a dependency of England would be a direct denial of the British suzerainty, and according to secretary Chamberlain's declaration of the British policy on Saturday, this country would promptly attempt to enforce its sovereignty in the Transvaal.

This rumor regarding the latest action of the emperor has not yet been published in London, and no confirmation is yet received.

There is no abatement of the public and official feeling over the Imperial telegram of congratulation to President Kruger. On the contrary, it grows hourly in intensity. There is little resentment manifested against the Boers. It is all directed against Germany, and it is fast assuming the proportions of a popular clamor for war which it may be beyond the power of any government to control or resist.

The government has been denying to the world all communication with South Africa for nearly a week. It is known that the war office is sending troops to the Cape with all possible speed. The Lancashire regiment of 1,200 men left Bombay yesterday on the troopship Victoria.

It is interesting to note, by the way, that there has been an unprecedented rush to enlist in both the army and the navy in the past few days. The drumming for recruits is usually a difficult business. To-day the recruiting offices are thronged.

The war-like rumors to-night are too numerous to chronicle. It is significant of the belligerent nature of the situation that the report finds quite general credence in the military clubs of the West End that Great Britain is about to mobilize the entire army reserves and militia.

THE TRANSIVAAL INVASION.

Being collected, the following synopsis of the invasion of the Transvaal by the forces of the British Chartered Company has been compiled:—For a long time past the Uitlanders, or foreign residents of the Transvaal, have been complaining of the treatment they have been subjected to by the Boers. The Uitlanders, though far outnumbering the Boers, have been compelled to contribute pratically all the revenues of the Republic, and yet have no representation or voice in its government. That is their side of the question. On the other hand, the Boers claim that the very fact that the Uitlanders, mainly Englishmen, so far outnumber them, is the main argument against giving them full representation, for then they would soon outvote the Boers, and make the Republic nothing more or less tan a Britist colony. On this ground, the ill-feeling grew until intimations were made to Dr. Jameson, administrator of the territory of the British Charatered Company, that the British in the Transvaal were ripe for revolt and that if he would take the intiative the Uitlanders would rise and support him. Dr. Jameson then made preporations for a raid upon Johannesceerg, mustering about 700 men, and plenty of ammunition, but little food, on the Transvaal border. When the right moment arrived, a letter was sent to him by the Uitlanders of Johannesberg, urgently asking him to go to the assistance of his compatriots, who were in danger at the hands of the arouzed Boers, then riding about the streets and country in a most threatening manner.

DR. JAMESON INTERVIEWED.

The correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company had a talk with Dr. Jameson and Sir Willoughby after the surrender Thursday last. Dr. Jameson said:—"We simply failed owing to the lack of expected support. Although our allies failed us, we might yet have escaped if the railroad had been destroyed, as the Boers, as well as ourselves, were without ammunition until an engine pulling several truck loads of ammunition and supplies arrived for the Boers. That settled it, we had neither ammunition nor food."

Money no Object.

The amount of money sufferers from catarrh will spend in attempting to cure that foul and disagreeable disease is almost incredible. J. W. Jennings, of Gilford, Ont., says: "I spent between $200 and $300 consulting doctors; I tried all the 'treatments' without benefit One box of Chase,s Catarrh Cure did me more good than all the remedies. A 25c. box cured me." Don't waste money. Chase's Cure, with improved blower, 25c. It cures.—94-1y.