

HE IS SERIOUSLY ILL

JUSTICE BURBRIDGE IS IN DANGEROUS CONDITION.

Leading Men Are to Speak Before the Canadian Club in Behalf of the New National Park.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—The annual statement of the city building inspector shows the buildings erected to be 255 a decrease of seven over the previous year but the comparative value increased by over half a million.

The thermometer at the experimental farm registered seventeen degrees below zero, last night.

The vital statistics of the city last year show 1,754 births, 617 marriages, and 1,383 deaths. Each shows an increase over the former year.

Justice Burbridge is lying seriously ill at his residence and fears are entertained as to his recovery. He is said to be suffering from cancer.

The conference of Canadian clubs, on Wednesday next, in regard to the national park on the site of the Quebec battlefields, will be addressed by Earl Grey, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, R. L. Borden, Speaker Suprenant, Senator Dandurand, and Charles Macrell, deputy speaker of the commons.

BUILD TWO TO EVERY ONE.

Would Have Britain Double Germanic Output.

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There is no question," says Mr. Stead, "as to what John Bull will reply to the German programme, be it little or big. He will say that he is sorry, but if it must be so he cannot help himself. Without any unfriendly feeling he accepts, in all courtesy the challenge which is offered him. He claims for nothing more than the maintenance of the status quo.

"He has no army to speak of, his only defence is his navy. The maintenance of its unquestioned supremacy is for him a matter of life and death. His readiness to secure that supremacy is the condition of the existence of the British empire. He does not waste his breath in idle moan or profane obprobrium when any of his neighbors challenge him to see whether or not he is prepared to hold his own and maintain his position. The challenge is none of our seeking, we simply take our stand on the status quo. We are willing to maintain the status quo, either by reducing armaments or by arresting the increase of armaments. But if it can be maintained in no other way, we are ready and resolved to maintain it by every means.

"We shall bring forward no imposing counter-programme. But when the Kaiser lays down one keel we lay down two. That is the formula of safety. We shall no more discuss it than a swimmer discusses the necessity of keeping his head above water. We shall simply do it because we have no alternative except that of suicide.

"We shall not be any worse friends with Germany because she wishes to alter the status quo to our detriment. It is a fair challenge and we shall accept it in the same spirit in which we accepted the challenge for the blue ribbon of the Atlantic. Only instead of allowing the naval Deutschland to take the prize and hold it for years while the Lusitania and Mauretania were building we cannot afford to allow off naval supremacy to be imperilled. No, not even for a single day. Britons, hold your own." And so say all of us.

COOLNESS IN DANGER.

Experiences of An English Military Official in India.

When Henderson was captured by the natives of the Gold Coast hinterland they got into a wordy discussion as to how they would kill him. The victim listened a while till he was weary of it. "Oh, well," he said, "I can't be bothered with arguments. I'm very sleepy. Let me know when you have made up your minds." And off to sleep he went. The unexpected performance saved his life. His calm indifference persuaded Samory's men that they had to do with some one of immense importance. Unwilling to take on themselves the responsibility for his death, they sent him unharmed to Samory's court, in the Jimini country.

Once again Lieutenant Henderson saved himself by a like exhibition of courage. He found Samory on a throne, surrounded by 4,000 warriors, yet when motioned to do homage on his hands and knees he did nothing of the sort. He simply sat on the throne beside Samory, shaking that monarch warmly by the hand. Thanks to this and to nothing else, he was accepted as the representative of a great sovereign instead of a captive doomed to death. He talked to Samory of the queen, and Samory talked to him. Thus a mission which might have ended, as so many African missions have ended, in a terrible silence and a suspicion of unspeakable horrors, did, in fact, end in a valuable basis of future relations between Great Britain and a Mohammedan power.

Daniel Up To Date.

Philadelphia Record. Jimmy, aged five, was told the story of Daniel in the lions' den, by his grandmother. When she had finished the story she asked Jimmy what he thought Daniel said the very first thing when he found he was saved from the lions? "Oh, I guess he telephoned home to his wife to tell her he was all right," answered Jimmy.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Culled From All Over The World.

There is said to be more trouble at the Toronto jail.

Dr. W. W. Ogden was elected chairman of the Board of Education, Toronto.

Cyrus Finlay Allison, a London traveler, was found dead in a Sarnia hotel.

Wanderers defeated Ottawa Victorians in first Stanley Cup game, by nine goals to three.

A machinery company desiring to establish in Toronto, has asked for a fixed rate of assessment.

A branch of the Champlain Terebinth and Quebec Battlefields Association has been formed in Montreal.

George E. Smith, a motorman in the employ of the Toronto railway company, charged with criminal neglect, was committed for trial.

Matthew McGowan, a lineman employed by the Toronto railway company, received \$1,275 damages because of being injured at his work.

Albert Moulton and his wife, both aged more than seventy-five years, were burned to death in a fire that destroyed their home in Auburn, N.Y., to-day.

A man named Chambers, from North Dakota, claims to have discovered his Brantford. He will take action to get the chironid back.

At Hamilton, Albert Evan, Toronto, was arrested on the serious charge of forgery. It is alleged that he tried to get the Merchants' Bank to cash a worthless check, drawn on the Home Bank, Toronto, for \$450.

LEMIEUX IS BACK.

He Thinks Mission Will Have Satisfactory Results.



HON. RODOLPHE LEMIEUX.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—Hon. R. Lemieux is back here to-day. Interviewed at noon, he repeated his Winnipeg assertions, denying what the Associated Press alleged as to his mission being a failure. On the contrary, he said "I have reason to believe the mission to Japan will have satisfactory results."

Mr. Lemieux dwelt on the fact that English is being spoken very fast in Tokyo, and his having no trouble in being understood. He warned Canadian firms to "hustle for the Japanese trade, saying he saw American gramophones, American sewing machines, American manufactured goods, etc., in many Japanese stores and houses. It is expected he will report to the cabinet this afternoon.

Defective Vision.

Toronto Saturday Night. Many stories are told of the amusing mistakes made by pupils, but anecdotes about the "bad breaks" of instructors are something of rarities. One of the best on record is told of one of the professors in the classical department of Queen's University.

The professor in question was extremely short-sighted, and had some difficulty in telling the various members of his class apart. On the occasion in question one of the male students was translating, or rather attempting to translate, a passage from Ulysses. He experienced considerable difficulty and after stammering along for some lines, with more or less aid from the professor, he sat suddenly down, and the student next in order to him, who happened to be a lady, arose.

The professor happened to be looking at his book when the man took his seat. When he raised his eyes he saw a student standing, and, being too short-sighted to tell the difference, took the fair "cover" for the retired gentleman. The lady paused a few moments before commencing her translation, and the professor, ignorant of the change, took the pause for another break-down on the part of the male student.

"Come, come!" he cried. "Don't stand there looking at it. Pull up your pants and wade in!" The resultant confusion may be better imagined than described.

The Shape Of The Sky.

What is the apparent form of the vault of the sky? There is probably no one to whose eyes it seems a true hemisphere, with the zenith appearing as distant as the horizon. At sea or in a flat country the seeming curvature of the horizon is best shown. Prof. J. M. Peirce, in discussing this subject, reaches the conclusion that the form of the vault in vertical section is that of the segment of a circle the arc of which subtends at the centre an angle of the order of forty degrees. If the reader will draw such a segment he may be surprised by the amount of flattening which is thus attributed to the sky. From this arises likewise many curious effects, such as the seeming increased magnitude of the sun and moon when near the horizon and the apparently oval forms of halos and coronas seen at low altitudes.

The Busy Terrorists.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, Jan. 10.—This morning terrorists made an attempt on the post-car station, at Sokolow, on the Vistula railway, throwing a bomb at the car, killing two and wounding ten soldiers and railway employees. After looting the car the terrorists made their escape with considerable money.

BETTER CITIZENSHIP

THE NEED OF IT DISCUSSED BY REV. D. LAING.

The Remedies Are to Be Got Through the Home, the Church, the State and the Press.

St. Andrew's church was well filled, last evening, for the week of prayer meeting. The address was delivered by Rev. Douglas Laing, on "The Need of Better Citizenship."

The speaker said that this was a very important topic, especially when we consider that we are a democratic people. That every man may influence the affairs of state, for good or evil, and that the government of our character will reflect the character of our citizens.

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BRITONS CALL UPON GERMANS.

Had No Cruiser Available to Quell a Mutiny at Zanzibar.

A severe blow has been struck at British prestige among the native tribes of East Africa by an alarming incident concerning which absolute reliance may be placed on the following facts:

Some time ago soldiers forming the bodyguard of the Sultan of Zanzibar mutinied, and for several days the Sultan was in serious danger. He was menaced with death, or at least de-thronement.

The Sultan Ali Ben Hamud, in this predicament, appealed to the British consul general for assistance. This appeal was natural and legitimate, since Zanzibar is not strictly an independent monarchy, but a British protectorate. The Sultan had, therefore, distinct right to claim British aid in the hour of need.

The British consul general was absent, and the vice-consul in charge was obliged to inform the Sultan that he had no British warship within hundreds of miles, so that the prompt assistance required was impossible. But, recognizing the urgency of the case, the vice-consul telegraphed to the captain of the German cruiser Buzard, then lying at Dar-es-Salaam, the capital of German East Africa, asking him to hasten to Zanzibar to quell the palace disturbance.

The captain of the Buzard hesitated to intervene in a British protectorate on his own responsibility, and was obliged to refer the matter to the Emperor, who immediately ordered that any assistance required by the British authorities at Zanzibar should be given with the least possible delay.

Thereupon the Buzard proceeded full speed, to Zanzibar to restore order. The captain of the Buzard had orders from Berlin to land a force, if necessary, to quell the palace disturbance. The Sultan's troops are commanded by a British officer, Brigadier-General Raikes.

No doubt the appearance of the German warship materially helped to overcome the mutineers and to facilitate the task of the officers in terminating a rising which threatened to produce serious consequences. Subsequently the British Government sent a cordial message of thanks to the German Government for its friendly action at Zanzibar.

The attitude of the German captain of the Buzard, as well as the German Admiralty at Berlin, was perfectly commendable in the circumstances. They were asked for assistance to quell a disturbance in a British protectorate in which the native troops are commanded by a British officer.

It is noteworthy that although no British warship was within reach, there was a second German cruiser, the Seeadler, close at hand, which could have reinforced the Buzard if more assistance had been necessary.

The incident made a deep impression not only on the natives of Zanzibar, but also all along the coast and far into the interior. It is hardly possible to explain how much of prestige British suffered in the estimation of the natives by an incident such as this.

DRIVEN TO CONFESS.

Man Admits Murder Committed Over Three Years Ago.

Another proof has been recently recorded of the truth of the saying, "Murder will out." Remorse has led Thomas Rice, an inmate of Downpatrick Lunatic Asylum, in Ireland, to confess that he murdered a farmer, named Daniel Mallon, of Mullagh-mossa Glebe, between the town of Moy and the village of Benburb, on Nov. 4, 1904. Though Rice is now a madman, the inquiries made by the police corroborating the details of his confession, leaving little doubt of its truthfulness.

When Mallon met his death three years ago he was returning homeward from Moy Fair, accompanied by a young man named James McMillan, the entrance of a laneway leading to his own house he was fatally stabbed by an unknown assailant. The police arrested a hired man named James McMillan, but after a two days' trial on the capital charge he was acquitted.

Now Rice's confession has justified McMillan's release. His statement of guilt was made in a letter written to an acquaintance in Castlecaulfield, Tyrone, village about three miles from Dungannon, and seven from Moy and Benburb. The recipient was so impressed by the confession that he handed the letter to the local police, who immediately communicated with the Downpatrick constabulary, and the man was at once interviewed. He repeated and amplified his confession.

He stated that he had a quarrel with Mallon and stabbed him fatally in the abdomen. The crime had preyed so much on his mind that he was at length driven to write the self-accusing letter.

King Edward's New Yacht.

King Edward's new turbine yacht, the Alexandra, is now nearly finished, and will undergo her steam trials about the end of January. These will be searching and thorough and will take several days to complete. Should the trials prove satisfactory the vessel will then be handed over to a navigating party, who will bring her to Portsmouth, where she will be fitted so as to be ready for the King's first cruise, which will probably be during Cowes week. Those who have had an opportunity of inspecting the vessel declare that she is a marvel of comfort and convenience.

There is no use in trying to show some people the error of their ways. They will simply persist in looking at you all the time. 20c. Austrian collar, 15c., at Jen. King's sale.

JANUARY STORE NEWS.

This great sale is going to be greater. The bargains for Saturday and all next week tell a tale of greater reductions than ever. We're making a new sales record for this January. Profits not worrying us. Nothing is allowed to stand in the way of increased business.

This List of Price-Benefits for Saturday and All Next Week

Table listing various clothing items and their prices, including 1,200 YARDS PRINTED WRAPPERS, 50 YARDS WHITE LAWN, 750 YARDS ENGLISH-BLEACHED NAINSOOK, BOYS' AND GIRLS' RIBBED WOOL STOCKINGS, LADIES' FLANNELETTE WRAPPERS, and ONLY 28 CHILDREN'S COATS LEFT.

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