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To Refusal of the British Government

TO LISTEN TO OFFERS

OF CANADA REGARDING TRADE PREFERENCE.

That is Balfour's Explanation of the Reciprocity Proposal - He and Lord Lansdowne Declare It Would be an Imperial Disaster.

London, Feb. 7.—The proposed reciprocity agreement between Canada and the United States was denounced in unmeasured terms, yesterday, by Lord Lansdowne and A. J. Balfour, leaders of the opposition respectively in the house of lords and the house of commons. The launching of the subject on the very day that parliament assembled suggests that the matter may have a conspicuous place in the deliberations of the present session.

Speaking in the house of lords on the reply to the speech from the throne, Lord Lansdowne characterized the agreement as "the most momentous departure in the history of Canada and the British empire."

It meant, he said, a diminution of the advantages enjoyed by British trade under the preference now given by Canada, and also the deflection of wheat supplies to the United States.

"The whole history of the empire is surely altered," he declared, "if the dominions are encouraged to develop not on national and imperial lines but in accordance with geographical conditions."

In the house of commons Mr. Balfour referred to the proposed arrangement on much the same lines as did Lord Lansdowne. He said that if it was carried out it would have the most disastrous consequence for the future of the empire.

"For years," he said, "Canada had offered trade preference to this country and the British government deliberately had indicated that nothing in the way of preference could be given in return. Canada, therefore, could not be blamed for looking elsewhere. He regarded the agreement as a great imperial disaster due entirely to the government's refusal to listen to the offers of Canada."

MISSING GIRL LOCATED.

Friends of Arnold Family Say She is in Sanatorium.

New York, Feb. 7.—Intimate friends of the family of Francis Arnold, whose daughter Dorothy has been missing since December 12th contradicted the family's statements to-day that Dorothy is still missing. She has been located, they said, and is in a sanatorium near Philadelphia.

"When Miss Arnold is in better health she will be brought home, not before," said one of Francis Arnold's closest friends. "No further effort will be made by either the police or private detectives to find the girl. The case has been dropped now that she has been located."

MUST DESTROY RATS

And Save Much Property in British Isles.

London, Feb. 7.—That the government appoint, immediately, a royal commission to deal with the extermination of rats throughout England, and save the country some fifteen million pounds yearly, was the recommendation of a committee which met at the lord mayor's residence, yesterday. It is acknowledged that it will be a costly undertaking, but it must be done.

No Criminal Responsibility.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—Mrs. George Marleau, mother of the two children suffocated by smoke as a result of a fire in the Marleau home, 100 Chatham street, while she was at a theatre and the children were alone, was exonerated of criminal responsibility at the inquest. Coroner McMahon said he thought the fire was accidental in origin, and that Mrs. Marleau should not be held criminally responsible for the deaths of the children.

Westport Farmer Suicides.

Brookville, Ont., Feb. 7.—Albert Carroll, a middle-aged farmer, living near Westport, committed suicide Sunday by drinking two ounces of carbolic acid. Carroll was missing several hours, and his body was found in a manger by a neighboring farmer, who instituted a search at the request of his wife. The suicide worried over the purchase of a farm recently, thinking he had received the worst of the deal. He leaves a family.

Burned to Death.

Cornwall, Feb. 7.—Adrian, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Legault, Alexandria, was fatally burned, the other day. Mrs. Legault had gone out for a moment to feed her chickens, leaving the children in the kitchen. It is thought that Adrian, the eldest, ignited some paper at the stove and in this way set fire to his clothing.

One hundred deaths daily from the plague are reported in Kwangchangton, a large town west of Kirin province, close to the Manchurian railway.

A Grand Trunk express struck a buggy containing Mrs. Hade and Mrs. Odell, Raleigh township crossing, and severely injured both women.

DAILY MEMORANDA.

Full returns of Franco-Canadian hockey match, Toronto Hotel, tonight, starting 8.30.

IT IS A FOUL STAIN.

The Divorce Evil Scored by Cardinal Gibbons.

Baltimore, Feb. 7.—"The steadily growing divorce evil, eating as a cancer into the very vitals of our government, is one of the foulest stains on our body politic and on the fair name of America," declared Cardinal Gibbons from the pulpit of the cathedral in his monthly sermon.

"The mills of divorce are slowly but surely disintegrating the families of our fair land," he said, "and, my brethren, if there is no family, what shall become of the state? The family is the mainstay of the state, but there can be no family where divorce is eating into the very foundation of our government as a cancerous growth. 'The one point of moral decay in this country is the divorce evil.'"

HOME PLACE FOR WOMEN.

Wife of Former Senator Opposed to Suffrage.

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 7.—The suffrage movement is not for Mrs. Joseph Benson Foraker, wife of the former senator from Ohio. Men should enter politics, but women should look after the home, is her belief. She declares that men and women have two distinct missions in life. "Women should build up the social and moral standards of our people," she said. "She should give her attention to her home. Men should get into the political game to fight for laws which will strengthen our social and moral standard."

Mrs. Foraker is in Cleveland to interest the women here in the proposed \$2,500,000 Washington memorial.

MYLIUS LODGES APPEAL.

London, Feb. 7.—Edward F. Mylius, who on Feb. 1st was found guilty of criminal libel against King George, and sentenced to one year's imprisonment, has lodged an appeal against the judgment.

Anti-Gambling Move in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 7.—For the purpose of restricting race track gambling to the wealthy classes, the government has adopted new rules whereby minimum stakes are fixed at 45. Clabbing and bookmaking are prohibited. There is a movement on foot in the Duma to prohibit race track betting altogether.

Now 100 Years Old.

Brighton, Ont., Feb. 7.—Mrs. George Bull, of this town celebrated her 100th birthday, on Sunday. She is hale and hearty and had quite a large party of her children and grandchildren, great-grandchildren around her. One of her sons is a big manufacturer in Winnipeg.

BREAK UP CLIQUES

REIGN OF OFFICIALISM ENDS AT WHITE HOUSE.

The Tafts Will Not Permit the Society 'Cliques' to Rule—Every One Equal at Their Affairs.

Washington, Feb. 7.—One of the notable features of the Taft social administration is the breaking up of "cliques" in Washington society, which Mrs. Taft has so cleverly accomplished. No broader minded people ever entertained in the White House than the President and Mrs. Taft, and the first fruits of this liberal trend has been noticed.

To begin with, an air of real hospitality has taken the place of staid officialism that formerly distinguished Washington functions. Under different management the Taft House, it must be admitted, rather boring, and no one dreamed of staying longer than was really necessary.

The reason for this was that the guests resented the subtle distinctions that were made between them. Nowadays every guest honored with an invitation is allowed to go as he pleases through the attractive rooms irrespective of whether he be ambassador, minister, congressman or mere American citizen.

Neither rank, wealth or position for themselves alone have dominated the making out of the White House list. Therefore a more delightful camp of people than those who greet President and Mrs. Taft as hosts would be hard to find. Everyone stays to the end, enjoys the tasty supper, dances a bit, or looks on at the moment and comes away voting "an evening at the White House" one of the most desirable pleasures to be found in Washington society.

Suffragettes Were Quiet.

London, Feb. 7.—Christabel Pankhurst, one of the leaders of the militant suffragettes, issued a statement, yesterday, declaring that she attempted would be made to storm parliament or mob the king. However, believing this might be a ruse, the police kept up their strict guard.

Death of a Steeplejack.

Syracuse, N.Y., Feb. 7.—After having risked his life for years as a steeplejack, painting lofty flagstuffs and towers, Charles Maitch, of this city, is dead in St. Joseph's hospital here to-day as the result of a fall upon a slippery sidewalk.

Shot to Death.

Cape Haytien, Feb. 7.—General Monteau Guillamo, one of the strongest supporters of ex-President Nord Alexis, and implicated in the executions at Port au Prince in March, 1908, was captured by the government troops here, and shot to death.

MIND A BLANK

The Cure Was Effected By Hypnotism.

AMNESIA STATE

AS THE RESULT OF A DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

Test Restores Her Memory—Telephone Operator During Treatment Tells of Mysterious Features—Case Has Noisy Features.

Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Feb. 7.—Miss Karn, eighteen years old, the New York telephone girl, who was found wandering on the streets here, Saturday, and remained at the police station fifteen hours in a complete state of amnesia, and whose memory was finally restored by hypnotic influences, was taken to her home Sunday afternoon by her uncle, Samuel Turner, of No. 545 One Hundred and Forty-Sixth street, New York.

Miss Karn's mind became a blank in New York last Wednesday noon when the dynamite explosion at Communipaw, N.J., occurred. When found here she did not even know her own name.

After several hours of hypnotic treatment by Dr. Charles W. Pilgrim, superintendent of the Hudson River State hospital, his assistant, Dr. Frederick Parsons, and Dr. John A. Card, the young woman's memory was restored.

Dr. Pilgrim, who is president of the American Psychological Society, and Dr. Parsons applied the hypnotic test. While Dr. Pilgrim stroked her head and Dr. Parsons rubbed her eyelids the girl finally began to tell of a ride on a trolley car and suddenly exclaimed:

"Oh! There was such a noise down the bay. My God, what a shock!"

With this start the amnesiac got the girl to recall how she had started up town on a trolley car last Wednesday noon when the shock occurred.

Then she gave her name and address, stating that she lived at 311 East 89th street, New York, and that she was a telephone girl employed in the Spring street exchange.

She had gone to Bay street last Wednesday to collect wages due her and was on her way home when the shock came. Last Friday night some woman put her on a New York Central train.

Monday morning Dr. Parsons continued his test in an effort to ascertain who the woman was who put her on the train, telling her to get off at the first stop but Miss Karn was unable to recall this incident.

She was unable to recall how she came to be wearing some clothes not her own. The doctors believe her memory will be completely restored in a few days.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Called From All Over the World.

A great extension of train despatching by telephone on the C.P.R. system will be undertaken this year.

Senator Roosevelt denies that William F. Sheehan offered to quit the New York senatorial race if Mr. Sheehan would do likewise.

The commons discussed the Quebec bridge question on Monday. There is a struggle between British and Canadian companies for the building contract.

Favorable action of congress at Washington on the Canadian reciprocity agreement was assured last night when the caucus of democratic representatives pledged the party to vote for the agreement.

Senator Handrard has entered suit against Montreal Le Devour for libel. The suit is the result of an article which Bourassa's paper published charging the senator with appropriating some of the furniture in the Canadian drawing room at Paris exposition.

A WOMAN'S SKIRT

Found to Have Twenty Whiskey Pockets.

Gathris, Ok., Feb. 7.—Sheriff Sale, of Cleveland county, as the result of a recent arrest of a woman accused of "bootlegging" whiskey, has in his possession a woolen undershirt taking from the woman, that has twenty pockets, each large enough to hold a half-pint flask. When officers called to "raid" her house for liquor, she would put her stock of bottles in the undershirt, and until recently they were never able to locate any whiskey in her possession. The skirt was her storehouse.

Red Flags at Funeral.

Berlin, Feb. 7.—About 150,000 persons followed the body of Paul Singer, the noted socialist, to the grave. The lookers-on probably numbered half a million. It was a demonstration of immense impressiveness, organized with the skill and completeness for which the socialist party is famous. Everything moved smoothly. The police did not interfere in any way. There was no disorder. Even red flags and banners bearing mottoes were allowed to be carried, the only condition being they must be muffled with crepe.

A Firebug Confesses.

I. Original, Feb. 7.—As a result of an investigation, conducted by Inspector H. Roburn of Toronto in connection with recent incendiary fires in this village, Edouard Beaulac, a resident of the village, was arrested and is now confined in the county jail. Evidence was so strong against the prisoner that he admitted his guilt.

Fortune Gone, Ends His Life.

Pateron, N.J., Feb. 7.—His fortune wiped out by business reverses, Israel P. Cohen, once a wealthy silk manufacturer, committed suicide by taking gas. The body was discovered by a member of the family who was awakened by the escaping fumes.

CHURCH UNION IN WEST.

Twenty-four Presbyteries Vote on Proposition.

Winnipeg, Feb. 7.—The question of church union is taking very definite shape in the west. Of twenty-eight presbyteries in the four western synods, but four have voted, two in favor and two against. Brandon has voted in favor, 21 to 7. High River also in favor, 11 to 5. In Vermillion the vote was 3 to 4 against, and in Westminister 12 to 13 against. In Westminister presbytery the influence of Principal Mackay, of Westminister College, leader of the anti-union forces, was expected to secure a large majority against union. In the synod of Saskatchewan no vote has been taken. Winnipeg votes on Wednesday. The total vote cast to date stands thus: Twenty-four presbyteries: For, six; against, two; modified approval. Congregational union have voted strongly in favor.

SURGERY DISCLOSES THEFT.

Convict is Operated Upon and Jewel is Found.

Galveston, Texas, Feb. 7.—Albert Barlow, a Brazoria county convict, who is working out a six months sentence, was taken ill and sent to the hospital, where it was necessary to perform a surgical operation to locate the trouble. A diamond valued at \$300 and weighing more than a carat, was taken from his stomach.

He stole the diamond from a store in San Antonio two months ago, and placing it in his mouth when pursued, swallowed the precious stone. He said he feared to confess because he knew that he would be cut open. In Brazoria he had been arrested and convicted for vagrancy. The diamond has been returned to its owner, who kindly paid the hospital bill.

FROM LIVING TOMB

TWO MEN WERE RESCUED AFTER 13 DAYS.

They Were Buried in a Marl Pit—Suffered From Thirst—Had Food—Thought They Were Interred—Only a Week.

London, Feb. 7.—The two men, Groult and Bellenger, who have been buried in a marl pit near Rouen for nearly thirteen days, have been rescued. The squad of engineer soldiers who had been working night and day, driving a shaft parallel to the one which collapsed, reached the imprisoned men at one o'clock in the morning.

Bellenger was taken out first and hurried on a stretcher to the marie. Groult was then brought to the surface. They were both in fairly good health and spirits. Of the food left down to them they had still two temporary loaves of bread. Four candles remained, and they had never been in darkness. They had suffered chiefly from thirst and cold, as the cider lowered down to them had given out some days ago. They had to quench their thirst with the few drops of water which trickled through the marl.

In order to keep themselves warm they had started to dig their way through the marl and had taken out thirty cubic metres. Unfortunately they had dug in the opposite direction to that from which assistance was coming, so that their efforts did not aid their rescuers.

They had completely lost count of time. They were of opinion that they had only been a week under ground, while in reality it was nearly thirteen days.

MAY FALL IN REAR

NEW YORK NEARLY AT ITS SIZE LIMIT.

A Well-known Expert Sees Other American and Canadian Cities Rivaling Gotham.

New York, Feb. 7.—That New York city has nearly reached its maximum growth and will find its supremacy as the biggest city and the most independent commercial centre in the western world threatened by competitors during the next thirty years, is the belief of Walter Laidlaw, secretary of the New York Federation of Christian organizations, and a census expert of note.

In a long report on "New York's Future," Dr. Laidlaw notes that the two great causes of the city's rapid rise to pre-eminence were the building of the Erie canal and the immense immigration, and he declares that there are now certain factors working against a continued increase.

In the first place, Dr. Laidlaw sees a continuation in the decline of the share of New York in the foreign commerce of the nation. In the last thirteen years it has fallen from 54.8 to 47.7. Canada is becoming an important competitor, and other American ports are doing their best to overhaul New York.

Fishing Village Lost.

Helsingfors, Finland, Feb. 7.—An entire fishing village of 253 men, which had been established on the job outside of Bjorko Sound, was carried out to sea in a gale on Friday night. The disaster was not discovered until morning, when the village was already out of sight. Boats have been sent to the rescue, but have not yet returned.

OVERCOME BY STORM.

Young G. T. H. Mail Clerk Badly Frozen When Found.

Peterboro, Feb. 7.—Matthew Dougherty of this place, is lying in a dangerous condition in St. Joseph's hospital with his hands, feet, ears and nose badly frozen, the result of an attempt to walk from Norwood to Indian River during the freezing hours of Sunday morning. Overcome by the fierce storm, which was blowing, he lay down behind a pile of ties and when found by a train crew some hours later, was unconscious.

The young man, who is twenty-four years of age, and a mail clerk on the Grand Trunk Railway was on his way to visit his uncle at Indian River and the night train not stopping at that station, he set out to walk the six miles back from Norwood.

Coal on Pacific.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 7.—News of a discovery of coal in Saturday and Lumbia Islands, off the west coast of British Columbia, has reached the geological survey and confirms a geological report on the district made as far back as 1876.

Gutted By Fire.

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A FULL LIST

Of Things Affected By Trade Agreement.

REDUCTION BY DUTY

IN THE TRADE OF THE YEAR JUST PAST.

Hon. W. S. Fielding Presents a Statement to the Commons—How Reduction of Taxation Would be Affected by the Arrangement.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—Hon. Mr. Fielding tabled in the commons, yesterday, a blue book giving in complete form the reciprocity agreement with the United States, together with statistics of trade between the two countries, and between Canada and Great Britain and all other countries in the items affected by the agreement. Figures are also given showing the reductions in duty that will ensue based upon the trade figures of the last year.

The total Canadian exports of Canadian products affected by the agreement, taking last year's figures as a basis, amount to \$205,306,992, divided as follows: To Great Britain, \$127,883,138; to the United States, \$129,249,294; to other countries, \$28,174,580.

The imports into Canada affected by the proposed arrangement, entered for home consumption, totalled on last year's figures, \$40,441,385, of which Great Britain sent \$6,387,336, the United States \$32,359,517, British colonies and possessions, \$29,452, and other nations \$745,571, and all other countries \$658,459. Of the articles placed on the free list Great Britain sent last year \$4,190,425, and the United States \$9,163,176.

Of the articles mentioned in schedule "B," where tariff rates are equalized between Canada and the United States, and in schedule "D," where a special rate of duty is levied by Canada, Great Britain sent last year, \$2,196,951, and the United States \$23,196,341.

Of the total reduction of taxation, amounting to \$2,507,824, over half, or \$1,412,219, will affect natural products placed on the free list. The reduction of duty on bituminous coal, based on last year's imports, is \$255,246, on agricultural implements, \$100,507, on flour, \$97,177, on vegetables a little over \$200,000, on cottonseed oil, \$181,348, fish, \$101,871, rolled iron and steel sheets, \$89,762, plows, \$47,633, tanning machines, \$32,411, motor vehicles, \$78,461.

Of the total reduction in duties, about \$2,350,000 is on imports from the United States. The total reduction to be made in duty by the United States on Canadian products is on last year's trade figure, \$4,849,583. The principal items included: Horses and mules, \$121,000; wheat, \$103,000; oats, \$142,000; hay, \$336,000; fish, \$531,000; shingles, \$152,000, and flax seed, \$352,000.

TILL HOME RULE GIVEN.

The Irish Members Want Indemnity Question Withheld.

London, Feb. 7.—The Irish party, at a prolonged meeting, last night, adopted a resolution to the effect that, while approving the principle of the payment of members of the House of Commons, they desired this measure excluded until home rule has been granted, preferring to depend on voluntary contributions, and would, therefore, ask the government to devote the money to some useful purpose in Ireland. It is known that Mr. Asquith adopted a resolution to the effect that, and is unlikely to accede to this request.

Lord Lansdowne, the leader of the opposition, speaking on the address in the upper house, intimated that the House of Lords was still ready to negotiate with the government on the necessary changes in the constitution of the upper chamber, and the relation between the two houses.

Mr. Balfour, speaking at London meeting, last night, announced that he had been in conference with Austen Chamberlain, with a view to reconciling the differences which have arisen over the referendum. He agreed with Mr. Chamberlain that there were many matters, such as the details of the budget, that it would be folly to submit to a referendum. But he considered that the referendum ought to be a permanent part of the machinery of government. He further announced himself as in favor of imperial preference, which would involve some taxation on imperial foodstuffs.

LOOKING TO CANADA

FRENCH CAPITAL IS READY TO COME HERE.

All That is Required is a Good Channel—Trade Commissioner in Paris Would be a Great Help.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—The whole of France is keenly interested in Canadian investments; only a good channel or medium through which to place French money being lacking at the present time," said Valerian Perrin, head of the famous glove firm of that name, who is on a visit to Montreal in connection with the extension of his Canadian business.

"The appointment of a successor to the late Canadian trade commissioner at Paris, or the establishment of a great French bank in this city," said Mr. Perrin, "would greatly facilitate the flow of French capital to this country. The banks are the great medium in France, and carry immense capitals on which they pay only one per cent interest. Wherever the banks place their investments the people always follow, and there is no reason why a good portion of the great surplus of money that we have should not find its way to Canada instead of to Swiss and Belgian banks, where it is again picked-up by other countries."

The operation of the Franco-Canadian trade treaty, said Mr. Perrin, was very satisfactory to the glove trade, and the duty of thirty per cent, was a very small matter.

LONDON MAN SUICIDED.

George W. Graydon Shot Himself at Buffalo, N.Y.

Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 7.—While out on bail on a charge of grand larceny George W. Graydon, ex-manager of racing stables in Canada, and lately in the hotel business at Gowanda, shot himself in the head with a forty-four-calibre revolver and died at the Emergency hospital. Graydon comes of a prominent London, Ont., family and had a very adventurous career.

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The Late Mrs. Frederick R. Lingham, Aged Sixty.

Belleville, Feb. 7.—Mrs. Frederick R. Lingham, aged sixty, one of this city's most prominent ladies, dropped dead, at her home, this morning, from an attack of heart disease. Deceased was the founder and director of St. Anne's school, of this city, an adjunct to the Anglican church. She was a lady of exceptional ability. She leaves a husband and one daughter, Mrs. S. S. Lazier, of Vancouver, B.C.

THE YARNS DENIED.

J. J. Hill Did Not Finance The Demand.

Winnipeg, Feb. 7.—President Henderson, of the Western Grain Growers, to-day, hotly denied the statements contained in the despatches from Montreal and Victoria, insinuating that J. J. Hill, the railroad magnate, had financed the western grain growers' demand for free trade in wheat. He intends to take action against those responsible for the statements.

To Guard the Couple.

New York, Feb. 7.—Urged by many threats of supposed cranks that they would prevent the Gould-Decies wedding because of the disparity in the ages of the contracting parties, extra police detectives were appointed to take positions in the church and along the route of the bridal procession.

G. Y. CHOWN ELECTED.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—Geo. Y. Chown, registrar of Queen's University, Kingston, was elected president of the Canadian Forestry Association at the annual business meeting held here to-day. Senator Edwards presided.

TRADE DEBATE DELAYED.

Opposition Asks for More Time to Study Statistics.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—It is understood that the debate on the trade agreement with the United States will not be resumed this afternoon as planned by the government.

The opposition says they should have more time to study the statistics of the situation, which were distributed yesterday to the members of the house.

The prime minister will hardly refuse Mr. Borden's request for some further delay, so the chances are that the debate will go over until near the end of the week.

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