

## MUCH DELIGHT

### In Napanee Over the Action of Britain

## DEMANDING RELEASE

### OF GEORGE I. HAM FROM PRISON IN MEXICO.

#### W. S. Herrington, K.C., of Napanee, Who Went to Mexico, to Look After Mr. Ham's Interests, Gives Some Information.

Special to the Whig.

Napanee, Jan. 23.—The report from Mexico that the British minister had demanded the release of George I. Ham from prison, where he has been incarcerated for two years without a trial, has given great satisfaction in Napanee, the home of the ex-branch manager, W. S. Herrington, K.C., who recently returned from Mexico, where he had been for several months, in the interest of Mr. Ham, was seen Monday afternoon, and in an interview said that he was not at all surprised at the action of the British minister, as the Mexican authorities have violated every known principle of justice in their dealings with Mr. Ham, and as a last resort an appeal was made to Mr. Strong, the newly-appointed representative of Great Britain.

It appears that the Mexican government is not unfavorably disposed towards the Canadian and in all probability will take immediate steps to order his release, now that its attention has been called to the irregularities in connection with his imprisonment in a manner that cannot very well be overlooked.

While the complaints made in connection with the wrecking of the United States Banking company were not directed personally against Mr. Ham, but again those who might be found responsible, he alone was arrested, although others who have confessed to criminal acts in connection with the affairs of the bank are to-day walking the streets of Mexico unmolested. Every effort was resorted to in order to drag out the proceedings against Mr. Ham, regardless of the provisions of the code of criminal procedure, and during the meantime his private fortune of nearly two million dollars is being administered by his persecutors to meet alleged claims which he had no means of investigating.

One of the planks in the Madro platform was the reform of the criminal law, and the government would be quite consistent in directing the release of a foreigner who has been a victim to the abuses which they themselves have denounced.

## ARE TAKING PASSAGE TO CANADIAN PORTS

### To Avoid Ellis Island Inquisition of the American Immigration Department.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—The Vossische Zeitung publishes a violent attack on the "American immigration inquisition," which is alleged to be becoming more cruel and relentless by day.

The case of Mrs. Pettin Kaul, described as the wife of a New York banker, is cited as a classic example of the practice in vogue on Ellis Island. It is charged that she and her two sons were prevented from rejoining her husband on American soil because the elder boy wore a glass eye. The latest news is that she is still a prisoner on the island.

The Vossische Zeitung's contributor declares that the decrease in the immigration to the United States is due primarily to the reign of terror, enforced on Ellis Island, and that thousands of European emigrants who ordinarily disembark at New York and Boston, have been diverted to Canada, and the Argentine through fear of an inquisition and arbitrary expulsion.

## CARDINAL BOURNE HOME.

### English Officials at Welcome to Pre-late.

London, Jan. 23.—Cardinal Bourne, who was one of the archbishops recently elevated to the cardinalate by the pope, made a state entry into Westminster cathedral, Sunday afternoon, the occasion being invested with much pomp. The reception was the first of its kind in England since the reformation, and the presence of the lord mayor of London, the mayor of Westminster, members of the foreign embassies and a host of city officials attested to the importance of the gathering. Huge crowds outside the edifice gave a rousing welcome to his eminence. The procession of three hundred robed clergy, headed by the cardinal in his scarlet robes, was a brilliant spectacle as it moved slowly to the altar.

Senator Miller is seriously ill at Ottawa. He is seventy-eight years of age, and the only senator in parliament who was appointed by royal proclamation at the date of confederation.

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### DAILY MEMORANDA.

Carnival Stadium Rink, Thursday. Poultry show, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Hinton's Show, Princess Street, afternoon and evening. 12c.

## DUEL DIDN'T MATERIALIZE.

### Masagni and Duke of Modrone Not to Fight.

Venice, Jan. 23.—The seconds of the Duke of Modrone, president of La Scala, at Milan, and Pietro Masagni, the composer, held a meeting, to-day, to consider the challenge to a duel issued by the former because of an insulting remark made to him last night by Masagni. The latter was trying to have the premiere of his opera, "Ysobel," at Milan postponed, as the first performance here was also set down for Saturday night, and during a conversation over the telephone with the duke, Masagni is alleged to have used insulting language. The duke promptly challenged him.

The seconds, after careful consideration, decided that a duel was not necessary and reached an agreement in regard to the difficulties between the two men. Both principals were very angry, despite the great success of the performances at Venice and Milan and at one time insisted on fighting two consecutive bouts.

## GOT PENITENTIARY.

Woodstock, Jan. 23.—Oscar Frey, who snatched Mrs. Brennan's purse on the street, was given three years in penitentiary by Magistrate Ball. Cyril Williams and Jack Jones, also concerned, were sent to Mimico Industrial School until they are twenty-one. All three were from Brantford.

## CHURCH SELLS COAL FORCES LOW PRICE

### Episcopal Cathedral in Chicago Competes With Dealers Who Profited on Needy Residents.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—The Episcopal cathedral of Chicago has entered the coal business. The result has been a boon for the poor, as the price of coal sold by dealers in small lots is tumbling. Dealers who have made a handsome profit in selling coal to impatient, cold-sufferers at a basket, have been forced to meet the competition of the cathedral, St. Peter and Paul, and the market quotation of basket coal has slumped to ten cents a basket.

The fact that the cathedral was able to supply coal at this rate is widely advertised among residents of the west side, and there was an immediate rush of trade so large that other coal dealers began to fear a loss of profitable trade. The result has been that they have met the cathedral's price.

## BOUND HAND AND FOOT

### When Taken Into Court to be Sentenced.

New York, Jan. 23.—Strapped to a litter, Joseph Farrone, a wife murderer, was carried into the court of general sessions and sentenced to death by Judge Foster. The sentence was that he be put to death some time during the week commencing February 26th.

Farrone's hands and feet were bound and he was rendered powerless on a litter because it was feared he would attempt to attack some one in the court room or do himself some injury.

## AGED PRIEST NOW A LAWYER.

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 23.—Rev. Father Francis Gleason, a Catholic priest, passed a successful examination and has been admitted to the practice of law.

Father Gleason, who is more than sixty years old, passed a good examination and was the first on the list of the class of eighteen.

## WANTS \$50,000 TO LIFT SUNKEN GOLD

### British Salvage Officer Coming to America for Fund to Seek Treasure Ship.

London, Jan. 23.—Charles Miller, second officer of the National Salvage Association's steamship Lyons, recently left London for New York to raise about \$50,000 to carry on the work of salvaging the "treasure" in the old man-of-war Lutine, which sank off the coast of Holland in the Zuyder Zee in 1799.

The Lutine was a war vessel captured by England from the French and was reported to be carrying \$5,000,000 worth of gold bars when she was lost with all hands. The salvage work was carried on for some months last summer, and among the things brought up after the wreck had been found was a well-preserved cannon with shot intact and a piece of rope. On one bar of iron drawn up by the pumps, according to Mr. Miller, there was distinct evidence of gold which had adhered to the rust.

Capt. Gardner, commander of the Lyons, is confident that with a week's fine weather the "sunk treasure" will be discovered. Salvage operations are to be resumed next May. The Lyons meanwhile is refitting at Amsterdam.

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## BIG REDUCTION

### In United States Iron and Steel Tariff

## PROPOSED BY A BILL

### OF THE DOMINANT DEMOCRATS ANNOUNCED.

#### Bill Cuts Average Duty on Steel Imports From Thirty-four to Twenty-two Per Cent.—Many Articles on Free List.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Reductions of from thirty to fifty per cent. on all items in the iron and steel tariff, and the placing on the tariff free list of iron ore, sewing machines, printing machinery, cash registers, nails, and many other articles against which the tariff is now levied, are proposed in the democratic steel revision tariff bill, made public Monday.

Democratic Leader Underwood estimated that the bill would reduce the average tariff on steel imports from 34.51 per cent. to 22.42 ad valorem; would reduce the government tariff revenues from steel products by \$823,597 from 1911, and by \$4,000,000 from 1910. Imports of steel products, he said, would be increased by nearly \$20,000,000.

The bill was completed by the democratic members of the ways and means committee on Saturday. After being submitted to the full committee, the bill will be laid before the democratic caucus this afternoon. If approved by the caucus it will be formally introduced in the house on Wednesday.

Sweeping reductions are made in all of the important items of the iron and steel tariff.

Among articles now dutiable under the Payne-Aldrich bill, which would be placed on the free list are: Iron ore, existing duty 5.29 per cent.; hoop and band iron and steel, 16 per cent.; barbed wire and wire fencing, 7.77 per cent.; nails, 17.67 per cent.; horse shoes, 20 per cent.; Tangsten ore, 18 per cent.; zinc ore, 36.57 per cent.; cash registers, printing machines, machine tools, typewriters, 30 per cent.

The reductions made on finished steel and iron products range in many classes as great as fifty per cent. The figures given out by the committee on ways and means, to accompany the bill, show that this will make a corresponding increase in tariff revenues from these sources.

## VANCOUVER DESPERADOES SEVERELY DEALT WITH

### Magistrate Shaw Imposes Sentences Aggregating Forty Years With Lash—Delivers Warning.

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—A terrible lesson to hold up men was read by Magistrate Shaw in the police court, when he imposed an aggregate sentence of forty years in the penitentiary on three men found guilty of that crime. Joseph E. Renault was given ten years in the penitentiary and twenty lashes for the murder of Mrs. Mary Richardson in the early morning of December 26th, Charles Bouquet and William Smart were each given fifteen years in the penitentiary and thirty lashes for robbing Rushton's grocery store at the corner of Hawkes avenue and Cordova street on the evening of January 15th.

In Renault's case the magistrate imposed the heaviest sentence that has ever been handed down in the Vancouver police court up to this time, but in the cases of the other two men, which were not finished until one o'clock this afternoon he exceeded the new record by five years and gave the prisoners the lash also. The sum of \$4.80 was the total amount of booty secured by Bouquet and Smart when they held up the Cordova street store. Neither of the men was defended by a lawyer and both protested their innocence, but they were positively identified.

## PITH OF THE NEWS.

### The Very Latest Cuffed From All Over the World.

Thomas Allen, London, Ont., was killed by a train. Sunday tobogganing has been made illegal in Toronto.

The Manchu princes are still divided regarding abdication.

Veterinary General Rutherford has again called attention to the live stock famine in Canada.

By a vote of eighty-six to sixty-one Lancaster's Ne Temere question, was sent to the privy council.

The estate of the late Henry La-bouchere, the editor of the Truth, will amount to nearly \$10,000,000.

Mrs. D. McCosban, Masson, Que., found a large estoppel in her shed on Saturday afternoon. It is still alive.

J. S. Crate, news editor of the Toronto News for two years, has accepted a similar position with the Toronto Star.

## WIFE'S FATAL SHOT.

### Heard Over Telephone Wire by Her Husband.

New York, Jan. 23.—With a telephone receiver to his ear as he sat in his office, at No. 104 West Forty-second street, Dr. Ulysses G. Houck heard the pistol shot fired by his wife, Mrs. Nora Houck, thirty-four years old, as she committed suicide in her apartments in Wadsworth court, at Wadsworth avenue and 180th street. The conversation by husband and wife ended abruptly with the loud report.

Started by the sound which came over the telephone, Dr. Houck listened for some word of explanation, and then when his calls over the wire failed to bring response he called the telephone operator in the apartment house and soon learned that Mrs. Houck was dying from a wound in her breast. He hastened to his home, but his wife was dead before he reached her.

Dr. Houck could assign no reason for the suicide except that his wife might have become mentally affected as a result of illness from which she had suffered for two years.



JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY. The "Hoosier Poet." Owing to his hands becoming paralyzed it is probable he will never write again.

## FEWER DIVORCES SOUGHT WHEN MONEY IS SCARCE

### The Reduction of Income Tends to Knit Families Closer Together.

New York, Jan. 23.—More people are divorced in the west than in the east, and the rate increases with the distance from the Atlantic, according to interesting figures compiled by Prof. William H. Bailey, of Yale University, covering a period from 1867 to 1906.

The rates in the North Atlantic and South Atlantic divisions in 1906 were respectively 41 and 43, while in the western division the rate was 108. "In 1867," Prof. Bailey says in the report, "there were 8,937 divorces, and in 1906, 72,062. During the forty years covered about 1,250,000 divorces were granted."

"Although it must be borne in mind that the population of the country has also increased remarkably in this period, the increase in population has not been sufficiently rapid to account for the increase in divorces."

A careful study of the statistics brings out the fact that in periods of commercial depression the increase in divorces is less than in periods of prosperity. The reduction of the family income seems then to knit the family more closely together.

## SIGHT SUDDENLY RESTORED.

### Blind Man's Vision Comes Back in an Instant.

Passaic, N.J., Jan. 23.—As suddenly as it was taken away, two months ago, the sight of Cleveland W. Spear, an automobile machinist, of No. 265 Highland avenue, returned to-day. Mr. Spear was lying on a couch when his wife entered the room. He sat up, and to his astonishment, he could see her. Soon after his discovery, Mr. Spear went to the office of Dr. William E. Chase, an oculist. The oculist said the eyeballs had been temporarily affected by hysteria.

## BI-LINGUAL REPORT FOR THE LEGISLATURE

### Is to Be Presented at the Coming Session by Dr. Merchant.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—Dr. Merchant, who is being employed by the education department to compile a report on the bilingual schools of Ontario, is still engaged on his inspection of schools in the province, and it is understood that he has written no part of the final report as yet. It is known, however, that the Merchant report will be presented by the government during the first session, and will probably occupy a considerable time in debate. Dr. Merchant will undertake the preparation of the document during the next month.

Dr. and Mrs. Dominick, Belleville, of Meriden, Conn., celebrated the seventeenth anniversary of their wedding, on Monday, by doing a heavy wash, and walking several miles. He is ninety-eight years old; she ninety-seven.

The marriage in Ottawa on Thursday last, of Rufus F. Kipp and Miss Alison Crinkshaw, both of New York, caused considerable surprise, as the families of the bride and bridegroom thought they were too young to marry.

## LAURIER VOTED

### In Favor of Lancaster's Marriage Bill.

## CONSERVATIVES SPLIT

### BUT PREMIER'S MOTION CARRIED BY 87 TO 61.

#### The Matter to be Submitted to the Privy Council—Outspoken Sentiment in Favor of Having Parliament Act Promptly.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—After a final smashing speech by E. M. Macdonald, Pictou, in which he declared the government's action was another instance of the way in which they were attempting to avoid responsibility on several years. The attitude of the vote was taken at two o'clock, this morning, on Premier Borden's motion to indefinitely adjourn the debate on Mr. Lancaster's marriage bill. The vote stood eighty-seven to sixty-one, a government majority of twenty-six. Despite their previous protestations, Capt. "Tom" Wallace, Col. Hugh Clark, W. B. Northrup and J. H. Burnham responded to the crack of the party whip and voted with the government to shelve the question.

The conservatives who voted with the liberals against the government were Messrs. E. A. Lancaster, W. F. Maclean, Richard Blain, Edward Kidd and Dr. Edwards.

The liberal vote went solidly against the government proposal, Sir Wilfrid Laurier being heartily cheered. Premier Borden's reply to the demand of Mr. Lancaster, supported by an immense body of Protestant sentiment effectively used against Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the last campaign, for a federal law removing all doubt as to the effect of the Ne Temere decree in annulling marriages under the civil law, is to take shelter behind the privy council. So far as the government's action on the matter, now of such vital importance to the people of Canada, is concerned, the net effect will be to put off the settlement for several years. The attitude of the government on Mr. Lancaster's embarrassing bill in reference to the Ne Temere decree is that the constitutionality of it must be referred to the privy council for decision. Meanwhile the whole question must remain in doubt.

## A Stirring Debate.

The debate on the bill, led off by Mr. Lancaster in a forceful hour's address, took up practically the whole time of the commons. It was heard by crowded galleries and a large gathering of attentive members. The member for Lincoln argued that the bill was within the jurisdiction of parliament, quoting precedent and law extensively in support of his thesis. He claimed that the country demanded an immediate removal of the doubt which now existed as to the legality of mixed marriages, and devalued and antedates only aggravated the situation.

Premier Borden, in a brief but carefully worded reply, practically adopted the ground taken by Sir Allen Aylesworth, that the point at issue was one exclusively within the jurisdiction of the provincial legislatures. He admitted that opinions as to the legal point involved differed among the members of the house and lawyers generally, and under the circumstances he announced that the government's way out of the difficulty would be to submit a stated case to the courts to decide whether or not the federal parliament had authority to step in and deal with the matter.

## CONSERVATIVES BOLF.

As Mr. Lancaster pointed out, this would involve a delay of at least three or four years, and there was no reason why the government should not take the bold stand of passing the bill as it stood, leaving it to come into operation as soon as the courts decided it was intra vires. In this he was supported by Mr. Wallace, Col. Clark (Bruce), Messrs. W. F. Maclean, Northrup, and others of the Ontario conservatives, who declined to follow the government's lead, and objected to thus shelving the question.

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## OBJECT TO EXTENSION

### Of the Georgian Bay Canal Company's Charter.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—The railway committee of the commons had its first business sitting this morning. One of the most interesting measures discussed was the bill to extend the charter of the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal company, so as to commence work not later than May 1st, 1914, and to complete it in six years.

E. A. Lancaster objected to any further extension of the charter until the government policy had been determined, and Major Currie asked that the bill be deferred in order that the original bill be reprinted for future consideration.

## WINNIPEG POST OFFICES INCREASES.

Winnipeg, Jan. 23.—All employees of the Winnipeg post office and clerks in the offices of inspectors, superintendent of railway clerks, and dead letter office, who have been receiving a salary less than \$1,800 a year, have received notice of an increase amounting from \$5 to \$15 a month, dating from October 1st. This does not appear as an increase in salary, but an increase in the provisional allowances allowed members of the civil service living west of the great lakes.

## CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

Salonica, Turkey, Jan. 23.—A court-martial at Istib has condemned to death eight Bulgarians, two Jews, three Gypsies, and six Turks in connection with a bomb outrage in Decatur, which killed twelve persons.

## HANGED FOUR BLACKS INCLUDING A WOMAN

### Georgia Mob Had a Lynching, and Perhaps Slew Innocent People.

Hamilton, Ga., Jan. 23.—A mob of a hundred men last night broke into the Harris county jail here, overpowered the jailer and took four negroes, three men and one woman, out and hanged them to trees one mile from the town. The bodies were riddled with bullets.

The negroes were arrested, yesterday charged with the murder of Norman Hadley, a well-to-do farmer. Hadley was killed Sunday night as he sat in his home, a shot being fired from outside. The blacks were tenants on the Hadley farm. The negroes protested their innocence to the last.

## TO CALL UPON CZAR.

### A Deputation From British Lords and Commons.

London, Eng., Jan. 23.—Speaker James William Lowther and several members of the cabinet, peers, bishops and others left, to-day, for Russia, to make a friendly call upon the emperor and the government of Russia, emphasizing the good feelings that prevail between the two countries. There is much criticism of the government backing up this expedition, owing to the feeling that England has already gone too far out of her way to befriend Russia in the Persian crisis.

## TRAIN TURNED OVER

### And Twenty-eight Persons Were Severely Injured.

Kamsack, Sask., Jan. 23.—Conductor Murphy was probably fatally injured and twenty-seven passengers and crew were more or less hurt when the Canadian Northern express from Edmonton to Winnipeg left the track owing to spreading rails. The whole train turned over on its side.

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## EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

Will be held in the old Collegiate building, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, at 8 o'clock, by R. H. Hall, of Dunbar, N.Y. Com. All are welcome.

## WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 23, 1912. — Snowfalls to-day. Wednesday, rain and moderately cold.



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Saw His Wife Drown. Saratoga, N.Y., Jan. 23.—After clinging to her husband more than fifteen minutes, while he fought to drag her to safety, Mrs. Roy Harringer, who had plunged through the ice while skating, was swept to her death. She had been numbed by the icy waters and could no longer retain her hold on Mr. Harringer's shoulders.

Governor of Bengal. London, Jan. 23.—The rumor recently circulated, that Sir Krishna Gopinada Gupta, a member of the Indian Council, was to be appointed governor of the new province of Bengal, was disposed of by the official announcement of the appointment of Sir Thomas Gibson-Carmichael.

The Utilities Committee. The civic utilities is to meet this afternoon at four o'clock. It is expected that further arrangements will be made with reference to supplying power to the G.T.H. company for quarry drilling near Kingston Mills.

Who'll be County Warden? The county council will hold its inaugural meeting Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, when a warden will be elected.