

ARE STARVING

Over Three Million of Them in China.

IS GROWING ACUTE

NO HARVEST CAN BE EXPECTED UNTIL MAY.

A Revolutionary Uprising is Reported From Wei-Hai-Wei—Kiaoping is Occupied by Revolutionary Troops—The President an American.

New York, Feb. 14.—Three million persons in Central China are on the verge of starvation, says a statement issued yesterday by the China famine relief fund committee, of which Bishop David A. Greer is chairman. "Last summer the worst floods in forty years destroyed the crops in an area of 50,000 square miles. Many have already died of hunger, and unless prompt relief is given multitudes of men, women and children must perish. No harvest can be expected until May. Until then the famine will be growing daily more acute."

Rising in Wei-Hai-Wei.

London, Feb. 14.—The British minister at Peking has notified the British foreign office that a revolutionary rising has occurred in Wei-Hai-Wei, a small territory in the province of Shantung. A company of British troops will be despatched immediately to that place from Peking.

Wei-Hai-Wei, which contains a native walled city of the same name, was leased to Great Britain by a convention with China in 1898. It is administered by a commission. The native city has a population of 2,000.

Another City Taken.

Mukden, Feb. 14.—The city of Kiating, province of China, has been occupied by the revolutionary troops. The revolutionists began the bombardment of the town on Feb. 9th, bringing in twelve heavy field guns into action. A portion of Kiating was burned before it capitulated.

Dr. Sun an American.

Washington, D.C., Feb. 14.—Dr. Sun Yat Sen, first president of the Chinese republic, is a naturalized American.

Department of Commerce and Labor so held in 1904 at the ground that Dr. Sun, who had been born in the Hawaiian Islands, had been employed with American citizenship by the act of 1900, which provided a government for Hawaii and declared all citizens of the territory to be citizens of the United States.

WILL NOT MARRY

MENTALLY UNFIT.

Detroit Pastors' Union Take Drastic Action With Regard to Weddings.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 14.—By a practically unanimous vote, the members of the Detroit Pastors' Union passed a resolution pledging themselves not to marry the guilty party to a divorce in which adultery was alleged, to investigate the cases of persons desiring to be married, and not to marry the physically or mentally unfit.

The pastors say they realize the great and growing menace to the purity and stability of the home and public morals in improper marriage and multiplied divorces, and realize their public duty as ministers of the gospel.

NET THE NONCONFORMISTS.

Unionist Leader Made Strong Appeal to Protestant Sentiment.

London, Feb. 14.—Sir Edward Carson, the unionist, in the parliament for Dublin University, who has been the strongest opponent of home rule for Ireland, made a plea for the Ulsterites at a conference of non-conformists, which adopted a resolution to give the Irish Protestants its unwavering support, in the "profound conviction that home rule would imperil religious liberty."

Sir Edward declares that the issue lay largely in the hands of the non-conformists of England. He quoted William O'Brien, the nationalist member for Cork, to the effect that handing over the Protestants to the "Mole by Maguire" means the extinction of Protestantism in Ireland.

He characterized as ridiculous the government's proposal to secure religious freedom by guarantees in the home rule bill.

"King's Quality" Flour, manufactured by the Maple Leaf Milling company, and sold by all leading grocers, is in popular demand everywhere. Have you tried it?

DAILY MEMORANDA.

10 P. concert, City Hall.
League year starts at the Stadium Field on Thursday evening.
Over-seas Club meets in Labor Hall, Thursday night, 8 p.m.
Toronto Symphony Orchestra plan opens to subscribers to-morrow at 8 a.m. at Uglow's.
Annual meeting Bible Society, First Baptist Church, 8 p.m. Speaker, Dr. J. D. G. Queen.
St. George's Zion Church, 7:30 p.m. Sermon by Rev. C. Kemp, Perth Road. Tickets, 25c.

BUYING NEW LOCOMOTIVES.

Two Hundred and Sixty Ordered in Past Two Months.

Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—Canadian railways within the past two months have ordered two hundred and sixty new locomotives, representing a capital outlay of about four million dollars. A few are for the east, a few of the special type for the mountains, there are some yard engines, and the balance represent an important addition to locomotive power between the head of the lakes and the foothills. Of the total 175 are for the Canadian Pacific, eighty-five being for the American Engine & Locomotive company, and the rest from Canadian shops, sixty for the Canadian Northern, and twenty-five for the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Stop Sale Diseased Meat.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—A united demand for a change in the public health act to provide for the establishment of municipal abattoirs in order to put a stop to the selling of diseased and inferior meat was made by a deputation representing a score of more Ontario municipalities which waited upon the government. As a result of the visit a committee was appointed to draft an amendment to bring before the legislature.

THE AXE HAS BEEN WIELDED VERY FREELY

Returns Showing Dismissals in Post-office and Public Works Departments

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The extent to which the axe has been wielded on liberal officeholders by Hon. Messrs. Monk and Pelletier, is shown by a return presented to parliament, giving a list of appointments to the civil service in the post office and public works departments since the government assumed office. In the inside service of the post office department there have been thirty-three new appointments, of which thirteen were additions to the staff, while twenty were placed liberal officials. In the outside service appointments totalled 202, of which 236 were additions and 146 to fill vacancies.

In the public works department four appointments have been made to the inside service and 161 to the outside service.

DROPPED DEAD WHILE TRYING TO SAVE LIFE.

Dr. Hecht, Well-known New Jersey Physician, Expired in Hospital.

Somerville, N.J., Feb. 14.—Dr. John P. Hecht, one of the best known physicians in Central New Jersey, dropped dead in the operating room of the Somerville hospital on Monday, after he had raced to the hospital to save the life of a railroad engineer.

Dr. Hecht was a member of the volunteer staff of the hospital. He was hurriedly summoned when Andrew Grover, an engineer on the Central Railroad of New Jersey, was brought to the institution with his skull fractured. The engineer had been driving a freight train near here when he looked out of the cab window and his head struck against a bridge.

Dr. Hecht reached the operating room panting for breath, and was about to administer anaesthetics to the wounded man when he himself dropped dead of heart disease. He was fifty-four years of age and had appeared in the best of health.

THE FIRST ARREST MADE AT ROCHESTER

Clarence Doud Said to Be Involved in the McNamara Dynamite Conspiracy.

Rochester, N.Y., Feb. 14.—Clarence Doud, of Mansfield, Ohio, alleged to be implicated in the McNamara dynamite conspiracy, was arrested here on Tuesday afternoon, by a deputy United States marshal. Doud was taken to jail awaiting a hearing.

Accused in organizer of the International Machinists' Union, and represents one of the three unions involved in the dynamite conspiracy.

Will Not Bar Ross' Rifle.

London, Feb. 14.—At the National Rifle Association meeting, Lord Chelmsford read the correspondence between the association and Capt. Bird, who is Lord Chelmsford's declared the allegation of the prohibition of the Ross rifle was without the slightest foundation. The council was giving the dominion authorities the opportunity of altering the Sutherland right and had, accordingly, extended the time for submitting sights till the end of April.

Sir Henry Norman, M.P., writing of an automobile journey in Africa in Scribner's Magazine for March, says that "the comparatively small party of the Gordon of Aill which exists outside of Mr. Hichens' luxurious imagination," is within half an hour of the hotel. It was originally an old garden of the Biskra oasis.

Eight hundred thousand coal miners in the United Kingdom threaten to stop work on the 29th February, unless mine owners accept the principle of a minimum wage in Derbyshire.

"Buy drug store wants" at Gibson's. The report that Armand Lavergne, nationalist leader, had gone to South Renfrew in the interests of Hon. G. F. Graham, is unfounded.

William McInnis, of Shelburne, Ont., a retired farmer, aged seventy years, cut his throat with a razor on Monday.

The Prescott Methodist church official board voted on church union, eighteen for and four against union. "Buy phasers" at Gibson's.

BRITISH HOUSE

A Very Momentous Session is Anticipated.

KING HAD CONFERENCE

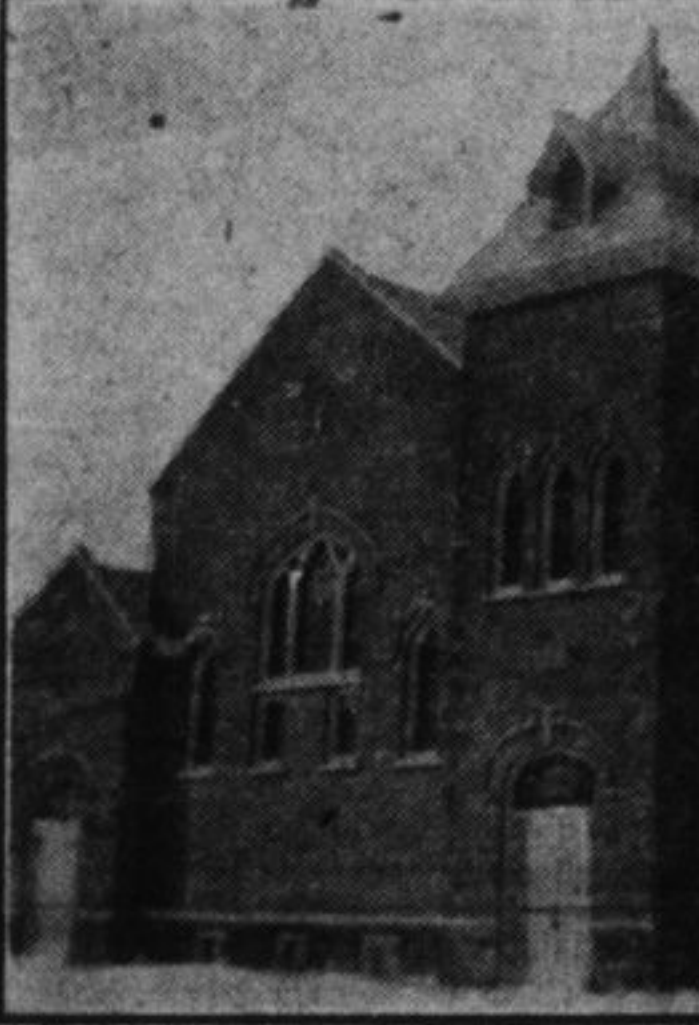
WITH CHURCHILL ABOUT CHANGES IN ADMIRALTY.

Three Big Questions Before the Commons—The Unionists are Already Forecasting an Election This Year

London, Feb. 14.—King George presided, yesterday, at a meeting of the privy council, the first which has occurred since his return from India. The meeting was held at Buckingham palace and the king approved of the speech from the throne, to be read at the opening of parliament to-day. Prior to the assembling of the council, the king had an unusually long audience, which lasted an hour and a half, with Winston Spencer Churchill, the first lord of the admiralty. It is understood that Mr. Churchill gave explanations to his majesty of the notable changes which the admiralty has effected during the absence of the king from England, and of which his majesty is reported not to have altogether approved.

After the council, King George received Viscount Haldane, secretary of state for war, in order to hear his personal report of his visit to Berlin. The report is revived that Viscount

ODESSA METHODIST CHURCH.



On January 5th, 1911, the Methodist church at Odessa was destroyed by fire. A new church, as shown above, has been in course of construction and will be dedicated in March. The first church in Odessa was a large, substantial frame structure, built about 1845. This was torn down during the pastorate of the Rev. M. L. Pearson in 1870 and replaced by the church lately destroyed by fire.

Haldane will shortly vacate the war office, and be succeeded by Col. John Edward Birrell, Secy, member of parliament for the Ilkerton division of Derbyshire, and under-secretary of state for war.

The changes made at the admiralty under the administration of Winston Spencer Churchill will at an early date be the subject of questions in the House of Commons.

The session which opens to-day, promises to be a momentous one on account of the three important measures—home rule, the disestablishment of the Welsh church, and manhood suffrage—all of which the government is pledged to the hilt to carry through. Any one of these measures would a few years ago have been considered an utopian work for the whole session.

An autumn session is assured, and many sleepless all-night sittings will be necessary in order to complete the legislative task before December, unless something occurs in the meantime to bring about a general election, which the unionists are already forecasting.

Changes in Office.

London, Feb. 14.—Earl Carrington has resigned the office of lord privy seal and the Marquis of Crewe has been appointed to succeed him.

Lord Pentland, son-in-law of Lord Aberdeen, also resigned as secretary of state for Scotland, and Thomas McKinnon Wood, under secretary for foreign affairs, has been appointed to the office.

The Marquis of Crewe has decided to retain his portfolio as secretary of state for India.

"HANGING" PART OF CURE FOR A SPINE.

Treatment Used for Little Girl Whose Back was "Bowed"—Inn-her Muscles Employed.

New York, Feb. 14.—The recent experiment of the Great Ormond street hospital of "hanging" a little girl aged nine, for the purpose of curing her of a form of infantile paralysis, is not such a novelty as it sounds.

In this case the child suffered from "bowed" of the back, and to correct this she was suspended from an overhead framework, and held by leather loops under the armpits and chin.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Called From All Over the World.

France will spend five millions a year on military aviation, says the London Standard.

A married woman burned her baby in a furnace at Halifax.

Prohibitionists may form a third party in the Ontario house.

The Ontario government appropriated another million for good roads.

W. Bert Roadhouse, secretary to the Ontario minister of agriculture, is acting deputy minister.

William Temple Emmet, New York, will become superintendent of insurance in New York state.

At Halifax, N.S., Edgar Dey, the young Ottawa hockey player, died in Halifax, N.S., on Tuesday.

The appointment of two extra judges of the high court of Ontario may be expected in the next few months.

Indians residing on the reservation in Western New York, must obtain marriage licenses before marrying.

Alexander Hamilton Stuart, one of America's most capable and respected actors, died in Grace hospital, Detroit, on Monday.

J. Pierpont Morgan has \$100,000,000 invested in art treasures. He is bringing a portion of them from London to New York.

Haj. A. G. Sexton, Montgomery, Ala., one of the best known men in Alabama, and former state insurance commissioner, killed himself.

Patrick Wilson, one of the best known figures in Hull, died, Tuesday, in his fifty-fifth year. Deceased was a cab driver for over twenty-five years.

Hans Edgar Friess, London, England, who shot his wife and himself, had spent all his money in a vain attempt to make a perpetual motion machine.

An express train from Valencia and a freight train from Barcelona collided

TARIFF DEBATE

Continued in the House of Commons.

OPPOSITION OBJECTS

TO POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMISSION.

Several Amendments Were Defeated—Proposal to Have Board Report Direct to Parliament Was Turned Down.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—Another whole day was spent in committee on a single clause of the tariff commission bill. Hon. George E. Foster pointed out that with the information gathered by the commission before parliament and the people of Canada no minister would ever be able to shield himself behind generalities in framing his tariff. There was neither Toryism or gutter in absolute facts, and this commission was told to get absolute facts.

The prime minister pointed out that ministerial control of the commission was necessary in pointing out the superior urgency of certain lines of enquiry.

W. F. MacLean thought too much definition or limitation would prevent the desirable flexibility of the commission. It should be given a free hand, but he under the direction of a responsible minister.

Hugh Guthrie moved several amendments, to remove the commission from the direction of the minister, to substitute report to parliament for report to the minister, and to strike out the subsection providing for investigating trusts, mergers and combines by the commission. All were lost, the first on a vote of 40 to 76.

The last amendment provoked quite a vigorous debate. F. B. Carvell claimed that the government were taking away from the judges of the law, the power, but the fact of investigating trusts, mergers and combines.

Hon. W. T. White denied that he was connected with any trust, merger or combine, and told Hon. Frank Oliver that if he kept himself as free from sinister influences he would do well. Dr. Clark (Red Deer) thought the inadmissible prospective of parliament, to preserve which British had cut off a King's head and carried the power of the house of lords, was jeopardized by the former tyranny of the trusts.

Hugh Guthrie objected to the tariff commission having no initiative. There should be report to parliament and not to the minister. As it was they would collect a vast amount of secret information, which it might be hard for parliament to get hold of.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier declared that if the commission was to be independent of the government, it would be objected to being abbreviated or interfered with by the minister of finance.

Paul Emile Lamarche, member for Nicolet county, has given notice of a question to ask the government if it is their intention to set aside a day for the discussion of the resolution of Albert Sevrigny, member for Dorchester, concerning the repeal of the navy bill of the Laurier government.

Dr. Edwards Favors Bill.

Dr. Edwards, M.P. for Frontenac, said: "The bill presented to this house by the Hon. Minister of Finance is one of the most important as well as one of the most logical pieces of legislation which have ever been presented to the parliament of Canada. I believe that the carrying out of this idea of the appointment of a tariff commission as outlined in this bill, will result in great good to the agriculturists of Canada. Hon. gentlemen opposite throughout this debate have endeavored to make it appear that this bill was designed entirely for the benefit of the manufacturers that they were the only class who could be referred to by the bill. The Hon. gentlemen from Edmonton, Humboldt and Assiniboia have all advanced this idea, and they have an object in view, that the impression in this country that the conservative government were here in the interests of manufacturers and were opposed to the farmers."

Dr. Edwards spoke at length regarding this; quoted many statistics, and said: "Personally, representing a farming constituency, I am more than ever impressed, especially after the able presentation of the case by my Hon. friend the Minister of Finance, and other gentlemen who have spoken, that this bill providing for a tariff commission, is one of the wisest and most logical measures that has ever been introduced into this house."

Bathie's Weekly, reproducing the Equitable Life Building in flames and the firefighters at work in zero weather. This is the most thrilling fire picture ever shown, where Battalion Chief Walsh and nine men were killed and twenty-one wounded, at the King Edward to-night and Thursday.

WRECK OF MAINE RIDES ON WATERS

Work of Government Engineers at Havana Attracts Congratulations From Many.

Havana, Feb. 14.—The wreck of the Maine floated free of the mud when water was turned into the dam surrounding the wreck. The water within the dam is now fourteen feet below the harbor level at low tide.

It is the intention to admit the water more rapidly so that by nightfall the wreck will be raised to the harbor level, leaving nothing more to be done except to break the dam and float out the ship.

Many hundreds of visitors thronged the dam all day, watching the refloating of the Maine. None of them was admitted aboard the ship, however, for fear of accident. Mayor Ferguson, who has had charge of the work, has received many congratulations on his success.

The ship will remain secure within the dam until orders are received from Washington to float her out, which can be done within a fortnight.

MERGER SETTLEMENT

Between R. and O. and Inland Navigation Companies.

Hamilton, Feb. 14.—The final settlement of the merger between the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation company, and the Inland Navigation company, whereby the interest of the two concerns are combined, was reached, to-day. The Canadian Appraisal company, which has been investigating for nine months, says the price shall be \$123 a share. This means that the inland holders will be entitled to one-half in R. & O. stock and the balance in cash. It also means that the inland interests will receive two million eight hundred thousand dollars for their holdings.

Dickens' Fund Reached \$10,000.

New York, Feb. 14.—Joseph H. Choate, chairman of the Dickens centenary fund, expressed his gratification that the American subscriptions have now reached \$10,000. They have come from all parts of the country, the average sum contributed being \$5 and \$10. So far Boston and Philadelphia have led the way, but the only gift exceeding \$500 comes from New York.

Boy Blown to Pieces.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 14.—Willard E. Loring, son of John Loring, a rancher, was killed while playing with a jar of giant powder at his home near Lankershim. The boy dropped the jar and it exploded.

Pieces of glass were driven into the boy's head and when the body was found it almost had been cremated, the burning powder having set fire to his clothing.

WAS BOILED TO DEATH UNDER ENGINE BOILER

The Awful Fate of J. J. Spencely, Lindsay, Brakesman at Belleville.

Belleville, Feb. 14.—At 4.30 o'clock this morning a double-header freight train from Lindsay collided with some cars on a side track on the V, just north of the C.P.R. yards here, and J. J. Spencely, brakesman from Lindsay, who was on the front engine when the impact occurred, was thrown under the boiler and literally boiled to death. The victim was a young man and unmarried. Dr. Farley, coroner of this city, has ordered an inquest. Other train hands escaped injury by jumping.

DEATH OF MAYOR HANNA.

Passed Away at Windsor on Wednesday Morning.

Windsor, Feb. 14.—Following confinement since the last municipal election, suffering from nervous breakdown, Mayor W. Hanna, K.C., passed away at Hotel Dieu this morning. Mayor Hanna had served for three terms. "The judge," as he was better known, was born in the county of Leeds. No more popular official ever filled the Mayor's chair in this city. Two brothers, Dr. Hanna, Perth, and Dr. Hanna, Brantford, and a widow and two sons survive.

SPEECH FROM THRONE CONTAINED BUT LITTLE

It Merely Mentioned the Chief Matters to Come Before Commons.

London, Eng., Feb. 14.—King George and Queen Mary drove through the rain-soaked, fog-burdened streets of the city this morning, escorted by cavalry and sundry notables, to open parliament. Within the courts of Westminster there was a brilliant assemblage. The interest in the speech from the throne was intense, but it contained little more than was expected. The bills for home rule for Ireland, for disestablishment of the Welsh church, and for franchise extension, were mentioned, and dismissed, each with a short paragraph.

REGRET HIS LEAVING.

Resolutions on Rev. H. D. Whitmore's Departure Passed.

At a meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, held at the Y.M.C.A. building, Tuesday afternoon, a resolution expressing the deep regret felt by the members of the alliance, at the prospective removal from our midst at an early date of Rev. H. D. Whitmore, Mr. Whitmore has been an active and very helpful member of the alliance ever since his settlement in Kingston, five years ago. The resolution also gave very hearty expression to the high esteem in which Mr. Whitmore is held, not only by the members of the alliance, but by the whole Christian community where he is known. While expressing regret at his departure, the resolution also expressed a feeling of gratitude that he was being called to a field of service offering larger opportunity for the exercise of his gifts, and wishing him all prosperity in his prospective field of labor in the Master's vineyard.

A Little Boy Hurt.

The five-year-old son of Daniel McManus, Sydenham street, met with a painful accident, while sleigh riding on Ordnance street, about four o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Master Daniel and others were sliding down the hill. When near the corner of Wellington street, the sleigh ran into a telephone pole, and the little fellow was cut across the eye. He was taken to put in several stitches to close the cut.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 14th, 10 a.m.—Ontario, Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—A few local snow flurries, but generally fair to-day and on Thursday, with a little higher temperature.

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MARRIED.

HAYCOCK—GRASSE—At Lake View Villa, Kingston, Ontario, on Feb. 14th, 1912, Helen E. Grasse to Joseph L. Haycock.

GARBUIT.

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THE MODERN IDEAL

Was Not Commendable on the Lord's Day.

There was a good attendance and much interest manifested at the regular weekly meeting of the St. George's A.Y.P.A., in St. George's hall, on Tuesday evening. A very interesting debate was carried on as to the relations of recreation to the Lord's day. Miss Lizzie Clark and Messrs. Stinson and Hawley spoke in favor of recreation as being quite in keeping with the proper observance of the Lord's day. Miss Evans, Miss Mullinger and George Williamson held that the modern idea of recreation was not such as was commendable on the day, and a decision was given in the favor of the presentation of the subject by the negative party.