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Emperor William Receives Bismarck With the Kiss of Reconciliation.

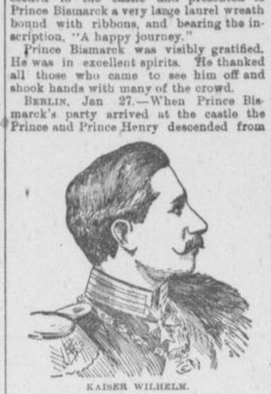
FOR FOUR YEARS ESTRANGED.

An Affecting Scene in the Royal Court Scarcely Out-Rivalled in the Old Days of Chivalry—The Joy of the Populace Breaks Out in Song.

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—Prince Bismarck, his son Count Herbert, and several friends left Friederichsruhe yesterday morning for Berlin. Before leaving six Friederichsruhe ladies, dressed in white, proceeded to the castle and presented to Prince Bismarck a very large laurel wreath bound with ribbons, and bearing the inscription, "A happy journey."

Prince Bismarck was visibly gratified. He was in excellent spirits. He thanked all those who came to see him off and shook hands with many of the crowd.

BERLIN, Jan 27.—When Prince Bismarck's party arrived at the castle the Prince and Prince Henry descended from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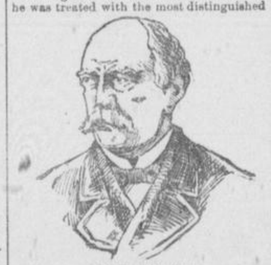
the state coach and entered. The Emperor, who was standing at the foot of the stairs to receive his guest, wore as a mark of honor the uniform of the Bismarck cuirassiers. His reception of the old statesman was of the warmest and most cordial nature. His Majesty embraced the Prince with the utmost heartiness, and a kiss pressed on the old man's cheek sealed the reconciliation between the Emperor and the greatest of his subjects. The Emperor then shook hands with Count Herbert Bismarck.

After the Prince had rested for a short time he arose. In the meantime an immense crowd had gathered in front of the palace pouring forth volley after volley of cheers or singing the patriotic hymns, "Heil der im Siegerkranz," "Die Wacht am Rhein" and "Deutschland Ueber Alles." This was kept up until the Emperor, Empress and Prince Bismarck appeared at a window and smilingly bowed to the crowd that at once went almost wild in their demonstrations of delight.

Throughout the entire time of his visit he was treated with the most distinguished


PRINCE BISMARCK.

consideration, and nothing was left undone that would add to the pleasure of his visit. When leaving for the station the Prince appeared leaning on the arm of the Emperor and together they entered the carriage. Then amid the blare of trumpets the drive to the station commenced. When the Emperor and the Prince entered the royal waiting room His Majesty threw his arms about the Prince and embraced him repeatedly. Count Herbert Bismarck and Dr. Schweninger followed the Emperor's carriage in a closed coach.

Yesterday afternoon Emperor William, accompanied by his suite, rode through Unter der Linden, which was filled with people for its entire length. His Majesty, who celebrates the anniversary of his birth to-day, received an immense ovation.

THE GEORGETOWN AFFAIR.

The Inquest Brings Out Some Startling Facts—Adjourned Till Monday.

GEORGETOWN, Jan. 26.—Not for many years has such intense interest been displayed in any court proceedings by the people of this town and vicinity as was yesterday at the opening of the adjourned inquest of the now famous Campbell case. Long before the appointed hour for opening the inquest the hall was literally packed and Town Constable Search had great difficulty making room for the jurors. The jury, consisting of Georgetown's most worthy citizens, with Daniel Cook as foreman, then filed in and took their appointed places. Coroner Sutherland then called the first witness.

The evidence given by all witnesses so far examined would show that Daniel Campbell's death resulted from the treatment he received at the hands of his assailants on December 25th. No more witnesses were called. Coroner Sutherland adjourned the inquest until Monday, 29th, at 9 a m.

CANADA'S NATURAL GIFTS.

Paper Read Before the Imperial Institute in London.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—"From the Thames to the Fraser," was the title of a lecture delivered at the Imperial Institute Thursday night. Sir Charles Tupper was in the chair, and explained to the audience that the author of the paper, Mr. Archer Baker, was unable to appear. Mr. Baker's companion on his trip read the paper. It expatiated upon the many natural gifts of Canada. The Dominion was pictured as a store house crammed with living bounties of nature. Her waters swarmed with fish, and game was everywhere abundant. Sublime scenery and a salubrious climate made Canada one of the most favored countries under the sun.

Michael Walsh Liberated.

BELFAST, Jan. 27.—Michael Walsh, 28 years of age, who in 1882 was sentenced to life imprisonment for shooting a constable in Galway, was released from prison yesterday. Walsh and his brother were both indicted for the crime. The brother was hanged. Walsh is ill and will go to an hospital for treatment.

A bill has again been introduced in the New York State Assembly to exact from all foreign corporations in that state a fee of one-eighth of one per cent. on the capital of the company.

B. Ingram, formerly Reeve of the Township of Enniskillen, was on Friday appointed Treasurer of the County of Lambton, which position was vacated, vice Emerie A. Vidal, resigned on account of ill health.

GOSSIP FROM THE CAPITAL.

Major Sam Hughes in the City—The Canadians for Hawaii.

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—Lord Aberdeen signed yesterday an Order-in-Council declaring that the law shall take its course with regard to Albert Stroebel, who is under sentence to be hanged on the 30th inst. for the murder of John Marshall in Sumas settlement, British Columbia. Stroebel was tried twice, the jury having disagreed at first trial. The whole case was discussed at length by the Cabinet Council. Stroebel, who is a cripple, shot Marshall in a cabin. The only excuse for the deed was that Marshall was paying attention to a young woman whom Stroebel admired. This the girl denied. The State department has telegraphed the jailer at Victoria the result which the Cabinet has arrived at.

Edward H. Morse, the packer in the Postoffice Department, who was committed to jail for eight days by the Civil Service examiners for refusing to answer questions relating to the charge that at the November examinations he got some one to personate him, was released on Saturday, on the expiry of his term. Being again brought before the commissioners, he confessed that as he was afraid he could not pass, he had got a friend of his, a commercial traveller in Montreal, to personate him. This was the reason he asked permission to go up for his examination in Montreal instead of in Ottawa. The name of the commercial traveller is withheld until it is known what steps will be taken against him.

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—Sir Thomas McIlwraith, ex-Premier of Queensland, Australia, arrived in the city from Brisbane yesterday, and was welcomed by Hon. Mackenzie Bowell and Mr. Sanford Fleming. Lady McIlwraith accompanies her husband. In speaking of his object in visiting Canada Sir Thomas said: "The object of my visit, I may frankly state, is to see something of your great country. I have travelled between Australia and England many times, I could not tell the number, but had never made the journey by the C.P.R. route. The recent visit of Hon. Mr. Bowell to Australia has aroused great interest in Canada and Canadian affairs among our people, and, therefore, I thought it fitting, as I had to go to England, that I should come this way in order to familiarize myself as far as I possibly could do, in the limited time at my disposal, with the resources of your country."

T. Dixon Craig, M.P., East Durham, arrived here yesterday. He had an interview with the Ministers when he opposed the Government's action in going into the binding twine business in the Kingston Penitentiary. He showed that in anticipation of this the branch factory at Port Hope of the Consumers' Cordage Co. at Montreal, had closed down, thereby throwing some ninety hands out of work. This was very serious at this time of the year, as these workers could find nothing else to do. Mr. Craig was asked by the workmen to come and see the Government. In addition to this a meeting of the Board of Trade of Port Hope Wednesday passed a resolution, a copy of which was given to Mr. Craig, opposing the action of the Dominion Government and the Ontario Government in bringing prison labor into competition with honest, law abiding citizens. It is understood that the Ministers consider that the proper time to oppose this was last session of Parliament, when $20,000 was voted for this purpose.

WASHINGTON BOARD OF TRADE.

Suggests That the Wilson Bill Should Concern Canada Only Conditionally.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—At the session yesterday of the National Board of Trade, the question of reciprocal trade with Canada was discussed and the following resolution adopted; "That the National Board of Trade memorialize Congress to take such action in the enactment of the new tariff as will secure the largest possible extent of trade with this country."

In addition to this resolution there was adopted a suggestion as an addition to the new Wilson tariff bill, providing that the new tariff act shall not become operative so far as Canada is concerned except by proclamation of the President, issued only under the following conditions:

"When it is fully certified to the President of the United States that the Government of the Dominion of Canada has declared a desire to enter into such commercial arrangements with the United States, as will result in a material reduction of the duties now existing against the admission into Canada of the products and manufactures of the United States, he shall appoint three commissioners to meet those who may be designated to represent the Government of Canada to consider the most desirable manner in which to accomplish a larger exchange of the products and manufactures of the two countries. If the result of the deliberations of these commissioners should be an agreement and a report satisfactory to the secretary of the treasury, that, by a material reduction of duties or by putting upon the free list of the Canadian tariff a list of manufactures and products of the United States, which in his opinion would afford an equal advantage to the United States as the operation of this bill would afford to Canada, he should so report to the President, and on being furnished by an undertaking by the Canadian Government that these recommendations will be recommended to the Parliament of Canada for enactment, the President shall issue his proclamation making this act operative without any reservation in relation to Canadian importations.

"It shall be the further duty of the commissioners so appointed to ascertain upon what terms the entire freedom of commercial intercourse between the two countries can best be secured, and said commission shall report to the President who shall lay the report before Congress."

Farm Dwelling Burned.

CORNER, Ont., Jan. 27.—The farm dwelling of Mr. Adam Fenner, just outside the western limit of the village, took fire yesterday morning and was completely destroyed. The members of the family were all up at the time. The fire started in the second storey and was not noticed until the flames had got great headway. The fire, however, when first observed, was in the region of the chimney, which was defective. Mr. Fenner was burned out about four years ago, and the house destroyed yesterday was erected on the same site at a cost of $700. The household effects down stairs were all saved. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

A Diabolical Traffic.

TORONTO, Jan. 25.—For some time past it has been known that there has been a traffic in girls between Toronto and the United States cities for immoral purposes. Yesterday a man, giving his name as W. B. Sterling, claiming to come from Kemptville, Ont., was taken into custody here, and it is thought his arrest will lead to some important discoveries. The authorities have been on the lookout for some time, and will make every effort to stop this diabolical traffic.

The Government bank statement issued at Ottawa for December shows that the average bank circulation for Canada in 1893 was the greatest in the history of Canada.

The International Y.M.C.A. Convention was opened on Thursday in the west end Y.M.C.A. hall, and the anniversary meeting of the branch was held in the evening in the Parkdale Presbyterian church.

IN MURDERERS' ROW.

The Terrible Execution of Painter Unnerves Other Prisoners.

BIG DAN GREATLY DEPRESSED.

He May Have Considered the March Past His Cell Ominous—Eugene Prendergast's Face Blanched at the Sound of the Drop.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—George H. Painter was executed here yesterday for the murder of Alice McLean, his mistress. At the first attempt to hang Painter at 7.57 the rope snapped in two and the man was precipitated to the floor, eight feet below. The blood gushed in a stream from his head. He was picked up unconscious and another noose was adjusted and the drop was again sprung of 8.05. This time the execution was successful.

Daniel Coughlin was not himself yesterday. The cause was to be found in the horrible double hanging of Painter. Two days ago the alleged murderer of Dr. Cronin was removed from the boys' department of the county jail to a cell in "Murderers' row," where Painter was confined. From his cell he heard the noise made by the hasty construction of the gallows. The sound of the carpenter's hammer breaking the stillness which pervades the jail at midnight depressed his nerves and he lay awake while unpleasant thoughts of his possible fate drove away sleep. When the hour for the execution arrived "Big Dan" could not help witnessing through the bars of his cell door the procession to the scaffold. He quickly learned the cause of the noise and confusion and cries which followed, and the news of the ghastly occurrence upset him. On his way to the court room he spoke only of Painter and the hanging to his guards. He expressed great admiration for the dead murderer's nerve. "It beats everything I ever saw," said the prisoner, "but the rope breaking was an awful thing."

Painter's death had a remarkably depressing influence on the other men confined in murderer's row in the county jail. Patrick Eugene Prendergast, condemned to die for the murder of Carter Harrison, took no pains to conceal his grief over the execution of Painter. When he had satisfied himself that Painter had marched to the scaffold he climbed into the upper bunk and began to pray: "Oh, God, have mercy upon an innocent man," he repeatedly cried, wringing his hands with anguish. "He is being murdered, even as they would murder me."

Prendergast climbed down from his bunk, pushed his cell mate away from the door and tried to catch a sound from the north corridor. At last it came. The noise of the falling drop reached his ears. Prendergast's face became livid with fear and he looked for a moment, as he did the afternoon the jury rendered a verdict of death in his case. Then he buried his face in his hands, mumbled a prayer and climbed back into his bunk.

THE MYSTERIOUS P.P.A.

Officers Elected for the Current Year—Their Political Platform.

HAMILTON, Jan. 26.—The P.P.A. convention continued its proceedings in secret session all day yesterday. The election of officers resulted as already predicted. The following are officers for the ensuing year:

Grand President, Rev. J. C. Madill, Belwood; Grand Vice-President, Joseph Kinersley, Toronto; Grand Secretary, Jackson Little, Toronto; Grand Treasurer, E. J. Roberts, London; Grand Chaplain, Rev. F. R. Ghent, Walkerville; Grand Secretary of State, James F. Harper, Hamilton; Grand Guards, R. Noxon, Brandon, Man., J. Graham, Havelock, and W. Smith, Barrie.

The principal portion of yesterday's session was taken up by the report of the legislative committee. They reported on the platform to be adopted by the association in the forthcoming Provincial and Dominion elections. The committee in their report were in favor of the adoption of a platform similar to that of the Patrons of Industry. They also reported in favor of making a strong fight against separate schools, against the giving of government grants to private hospitals, and in favor of government inspectors of all private schools and seminaries. The committee's report was adopted with minor amendments.

HAMILTON, Jan. 27.—The P. P. A. convention did not adjourn until 1.30 yesterday morning and the Executive Committee was in session for two hours after that time. It became manifest that if the work of the convention was to be got through at all routine work would have to be relegated to special committees, and this was done. Delegates watched with great vigilance all proceedings of the convention and no resolution could be carried which had for its object the endorsation or condemnation in any way of the present Dominion or Provincial Governments. Much time was thus taken up in argument and the business of the convention was much retarded.

THE TARIFF DEBATE.

Internal Revenue Bill, Including Income Tax, Reported in the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The full Committee on Ways and Means voted yesterday to report the Internal Revenue bill including the income tax. The vote was 9 to 3 in favor of this action. All the Republicans and Messrs. Cockran (Dem., N.Y.) and Stevens (Dem., Mass.) voted in the negative.

The early part of the day in the House was given to a consideration of the amendments to the iron ore schedule, which came over from yesterday as unfinished business. The pending amendments were one proposed by Mr. Oates (Dem., Ala.) proposing a duty of 40 cents per ton, and another by Mr. Taylor (Rep., Tenn.) proposing to substitute for the iron ore schedule of the Wilson bill, the provisions of the McKinley law. Both amendments were defeated, thus leaving iron ore on the free list.

Serious Accident at Stoney Point.

STONEY POINT, Ont., Jan. 29.—W. Welsh, ex-reeve and grain merchant of this place, met with a serious accident on Friday night. While trying to adjust a belt in his grain elevator it slipped off the pulley and caught him round the neck. The unfortunate man was wound around the main shaft and made several revolutions before the engine could be stopped. His breast bone is broken and the doctors entertain little hopes of his recovery.

A Substitute for Hemp.

TORONTO, Jan. 29.—James Marshall, of this city, claims to have found a plant the fibre of which has all the appearances of flax, though somewhat coarser. A rope has been made with the material which shows superabundance of strength. Experiments with this plant may result in the profitable cultivation of it for all purposes for which hemp is now used, as it is growing wild and may be cultivated to any extent in Canada.

NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK.

The Important Events in a Few Words for Busy Readers.

Over 2,700 pauper Jews started from Odessa for England during the past week.

Some of the New York banks have reduced interest on deposits of 1½ per cent.

Detroit labor unions are moving to keep Windsor workmen from laboring in Detroit.

A further loss of $600,000 in gold was reported in the United States Treasury on Friday.

A number of settlers in Oklahoma territory were frozen to death in Tuesday's blizzard.

Hamilton followers of Mr. D'Alton McCarthy organized an association Wednesday night.

South Huron Patrons on Thursday nominated S. M. Sanders of Stephen for the Legislature.

The second reading of the Parish Councils bill was moved in the House of Lords on Thursday.

Two men were killed and one badly injured in a railway wreck at Henderson, N.C., on Friday.

The Dairymen's convention at Ingersoll concluded Thursday evening with a largely attended banquet.

Smallpox has broken out in the New York City Asylum wards, where 2,000 lunatics are confined.

The appeal of Auguste Vaillant, the bomb-thrower, has been rejected, and he will be guillotined.

Water has been admitted to the wheelpit of the Niagara Falls Power Company on the American side.

The sales of timber limits at Ottawa Wednesday by the Dominion Government realized about $400,000.

Representative Lookwood, of New York state, has succeeded in passing an amendment to the Wilson Bill which makes frozen fish free of duty.

Corbett defeated Mitchell in nine minutes in the arena of the Duval club at Jacksonville on Thursday.

The street cars of Bridgeport, Conn., are tied up again. The company refuses to recognize the employes union.

Rev. W. J. Stewart, late of St. John, N. B., was installed as pastor of the Brampton Baptist Church Friday night.

The wife of Judge Norman Ritchie of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia died very suddenly Wednesday night.

The internal revenue bill, including the income tax, was reported to the United States House on Wednesday.

The Khedive has acceded to the demands made upon him by Lord Cromer, British Diplomatic Agent at Cairo.

The employees of the Canadian Horse-Nail Company, Montreal, are out on strike against a reduction in wages.

Fannie Davenport the actress, is ill in St. Joseph, Mo., the result of an injury caused by falling down a flight of stairs.

The French Government has paid over 400,000 francs indemnity for the massacre of Italian workmen at Aigues-Mortes last year.

Mr. Andrew Pattullo was on Wednesday elected President of the Western Ontario Dairymen's Association, in session at Ingersoll.

Miss Marie R. E. Papineau, daughter of the late Hon. Louis Joseph Papineau, died at Montebello, Que., Wednesday, aged 65 years.

A house in Whitebird Gulch, Idaho, occupied by a family of seven, was wrecked by an avalanche on Thursday. Four girls were killed.

Gen. Stone has withdrawn from the Senatorial contest in Mississippi. His withdrawal means the election of a strong free coinage man.

Sir General Herbert Portal, British Political Agent and Consul General at Zanzibar, died from typhoid fever in London on Thursday.

James Payne, who worked for James Boyd, farmer, near Lynden, was thrown from a load of wood on Thursday and was instantly killed.

Miss Mabel Yauch, Fred Scheader and Henry Loeffler were drowned Thursday evening while skating on Booth's pond in Meriden, Conn.

The New York Senate has passed the Assembly's resolution urging New York's representatives in Congress to oppose the passage of the Wilson bill.

Frank Meagher, who lives on Willow Ranch, near Pataluma, Col., was mortally wounded and his wife killed on Wednesday by an unknown assassin.

A Servian Cabinet, with M. Simitch as Premier, has been formed. The decrees expelling ex King Milan and ex-Queen Natalie have been cancelled.

C. J. Coleman, aged eighteen, a brother of Rev. R. Coleman, located near Perth, broke through the ice an Kingston harbor on Thursday, and was drowned.

The Fitchburh, Mass., worsted mills shut down on Saturday indefinitely on account of the bad business conditions. The two mills employ about 900 hands.

Bradstreet's reported 48 business failures in Canada last week. The number was the same the week before, and also in the corresponding week of last year.

One hundred and twenty years was the age of Mrs. John Bradget, who died at Stabtown, near Hazelton, Pa., on Wednesday. She was a native of Hungary.

Lambton County Council has appointed Mr. John Dalziel to the position of County Clerk, made vacant by the death of Hugh Smith, who occupied the position for many years.

A Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W. for Quebec and the Maritime Provinces was instituted at Montreal Wednesday. It starts with nearly 2,000 members. E. L. Bond, Montreal, was elected Grand Master Workman.

Laura Schirmer-Mapleson, the prima donna, who recently played the leading role in "The Fencing Master," in Toronto and other Canadian cities, died of pneumonia in New York on Wednesday. She was the wife of Col. Henry Mapleson.

Prohibition Convention.

TORONTO, Jan. 29.—A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Dominion Alliance was held here on Saturday. Dr. J. J. Maclaren presided. The committee considered a recommendation made last October for the holding of a Dominion Prohibition convention during the present year. After careful consideration the committee decided to request the president to call such a convention to be composed of representatives from every part of the Dominion. The city of Montreal was chosen as the place of meeting and the first week in July as the time.

Postoffice Official Sentenced.

MONTREAL, Jan. 29.—J. Cunningham, an employe of the Postoffice, was arrested on Friday by the Secret Service Agency. For eight years Cunningham has had the handling of newspapers and parcels. The detectives found that he was selling cutlery and other articles to second-hand dealers at very low prices. Some of the articles were recognized. Cunningham was arrested. Judge Desnoyers' Government officials made their depositions on Saturday. The prisoner, who said he had been drinking, pleaded guilty to the one charge of pilfering postoffice parcels. He was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.