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## Editorial Notes and Clippings

## UNION OF CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

There is only one way in which the two great American countries, Canada and the United States, will ever for a moment consider the advisability of union. And it would be well for those who made the great show of flag waving last election to study the matter out.

Union, or if you would rather say annexation, will and never can take place because the Canadian farmer receives more for his grain across the border than he does in the other markets to which he sends his produce; nor the fact that the consumer in Canada buys shoes cheaper under a system of reciprocity, does not necessarily say that he sells his loyalty for those shoes. Japan and the Conservatives are the ones that make the bogey of annexation possible.

Canada's Pacific coast needs a navy, and the lack of a naval unit one third as strong as the sea power of Japan is the only possible chance for the union of the two countries. At the present time, were the wheel of fortune to so turn that Japan would consider the possibility of war with Great Britain, Canada would have to look for protection to the United States, and that country would not likely to attempt the protection of the thousand miles of British Columbia's coast for mere generosity.

While the possibility of war between Great Britain and Japan is laughed at and ridiculed, the same people recognize the possibility of trouble between the Republic and the Japanese Empire. Even men high in the United States military circles admit the probability of such a state of affairs.

Suppose for a moment that those two great nations did engage in a war. Where would the battle ground be? The Philippine Islands is the usual answer to such a question, while others will as promptly say, the Hawaiian Islands. Seldom is it that the answer is "Alaska." There it is though, that the great fighting would likely take place, as well as in the Philippine Islands.

Japan would dearly like to secure a hold on the American continent, where her people are flocking in thousands yearly, and failing to purchase Lower California from Mexico, has not banished the idea of

one day having a hold on the western side of the Pacific.

Each year the navy of the Oriental Empire is increasing, faster perhaps than that of the United States. Her sailors and soldiers are trained in the latest methods of war and consider there is no greater honor than to die for their country. Nogi was no exception to the general spirit of loyalty existing in Japan.

With a large navy and such determined men, the Japs would put up a strong fight, and Alaska as the battle ground would be as advantageous to them as would the Philippine Islands. With three divisions of their fleet they could effectively work the conquest of two places at least, for undoubtedly the Philippine Islands would be an object of attack, and the mid-Pacific possessions of the United States would also be in danger, and must either be properly protected or abandoned. The thousands of subjects of the Mikado on the Pacific slope would also need watching, as would the whole coast from Lower California to the Straits. If this was accomplished then Alaska, 2,000 miles from San Francisco, must be left at the mercy of an invasion and the advantages offered for such are many.

Admitting then that Alaska would be the scene of conflict, what would prevent the scene shifting from there to the British Columbia coast, or, did the brown men secure the footing they so much desire, what would prevent them overrunning the coast and through the Straits of Georgia carry the war to Puget Sound?

The naval policy of the Conservatives makes this thing horribly possible. Had Canada a naval unit of a third the strength of Japan the neutrality of British Columbia could be maintained, but otherwise it might be the scene of the greatest war the world has ever seen, and Canada would not hesitate to join in the fight whether it meant annexation or not.

Great Britain could offer no very great assistance from other than the Chinese squadron, for fear of a German invasion.

The necessity of the establishment of a Pacific unit is so necessary that no time should be lost in the establishment of the nucleus of one.



Courtesy Vancouver Sun

## WAR COMMENCES ON SERVIAN FRONTIER—ULTIMATUM NOT YET DELIVERED TO TURKEY

ALTHOUGH NO ULTIMATUM HAS YET BEEN DELIVERED TO TURKEY, HOSTILITIES HAVE COMMENCED ON FRONTIER.

(Special to Daily News.)

London, Oct. 3.—No ultimatum has as yet been delivered to Turkey from the four Balkan states, but reliable information says that one will be presented tomorrow. Included in the intended ultimatum will be a demand for the autonomy of Macedonia, Albania, Old Serbia and Crete. This must be granted within three days.

In the event of no favorable reply being received at the end

of three days, the Balkan coalition will repeat it and issue a collective note to the great powers notifying them that at the expiration of another three days the Balkan states will enforce their demands by resorting to arms and will immediately commence hostilities.

Rumors which cannot be verified say that fighting has already commenced along the Servian frontier between small detachments.

## GOVT. NEEDS MORE DOCTORS

Many Hospitals in Province Offer Posts to Doctors, but Government Cannot Secure Them.

Victoria, Oct. 4.—Several medical positions, more or less desirable, are at present going begging in this province. Hon. Dr. Young has, in fact, no fewer than seven vacancies to fill, for which there are no candidates. These are the posts of resident medical practitioners and local medical health officers at Hope, Elko, Port Renfrew, Clayoquot, Alexis Creek, Denman and Hornby Islands and Queen Charlotte. The subsidies attaching are not large, running from \$300 to \$500 per annum, but the practitioner in each case has a monopoly of the field and could no doubt pick up a comfortable living. It appears, however, that the medical men as a class prefer to take their chances in the cities rather than encounter the hardships of frontier life in British Columbia.

The post at Queen Charlotte is one of the most desirable of the

lot. It was until recently filled by the late Dr. Winters, who came to it from Columbia Mission, and whose untimely death was much regretted. This office carries not only a subsidy of \$300 per year, but there is also a physician's residence in the hospital, so that it is a fairly comfortable post.

Fort Fraser, which is not included in the above list, is also vacant, and has been for some time waiting in vain for some one willing to take it. It carries a grant of \$500 from the Provincial government and \$600 from the Dominion for looking after the Indians. Medical practice in the cities must be good when a surety of \$1,100 per year aside from the revenues of private practice is insufficient to tempt any young medical man to accept such a post.

The Countess Szechenyi (nee Gladys Vanderbilt) praised the good taste of American women at a luncheon. She ended her praise with an epigram both striking and true. "The women of all nationalities," she said, "can make their own clothes, but only the American woman can make them so that nobody ever suspects it."

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