

## MILITANTS ATTEMPT TO WRECK MIDLAND LINE

### AMERICA'S TENTATIVE REPLY TO JAPAN'S PROTEST—LIBERAL OPPOSITION TO NAVAL BILL

#### KEYS OF SCUTARI FORMALLY HAND TO BRITISH ADMIRAL

OFFICERS AND MEN FIRST ENGAGE IN DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO THE SEVERAL THOUSANDS OF STARVING MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

San Giovanni di Medua (via Rome), May 15.—The keys of the city of Scutari were turned over to the naval commanders representing the great powers at noon yesterday in the square opposite the military barracks where Essad Pasha so recently surrendered to the Crown Prince of Montenegro. The ceremonies were brief and simple. The international force was commanded by Vice Admiral Cecil Burney of the British navy, and was escorted into the city by a Montenegrin guard of honor.

The touching feature was the presence around the imposing and well fed naval brigade of several thousand half starved and scant men, women and children, inhabitants of Scutari, who lost all their possessions during the siege and who are still destitute. The British commander and Captain Spezzi of the Italian navy delegated a force of officers and men to distribute food and clothing transported from various European cities for the benefit of the sufferers. Immediately after the presentation of the keys, the last of the Montenegrin garrison withdrew from the city and moved to the camp of the Crown Prince.

**All Fought Out.**  
New York, May 15.—Among those on board the White Star liner Oceanic, which arrived last night, was Lionel James, the war correspondent of the London Times, who said he had only been three days in London from Adrianople when he sailed for New York to write an account of the international polo match for his paper.

With regard to the conditions in the Balkans, Mr. James said that all sides were fought out in every way and there would be peace and quietness for the next few years. He believed that the next trouble would be between Bulgaria and Greece.

"King Nicholas of Montenegro," Mr. James said, "knew just how far he could go in the Scutari matter."

O. Besner, of the Knox Hotel, returned this morning from a three weeks' trip to Montreal, whither he was summoned on account of the serious illness of his father. Fortunately Mr. Besner reached Montreal in time to see his father alive, his death, reported a few days ago, occurring after Mr. Besner had left on his return trip.

#### RICH COUNTRY IS DISCOVERED IN THE HINTERLAND OF RUPERT

NORTH OF GROUNDHOG AND STRETCHING FROM THE NAAS VALLEY TO TOOVA LAKE—WELL MINERALIZED AND GOOD FOR AGRICULTURE.

Another part of the hinterland tributary to this city of untold richness in natural resources, both agricultural and mineral, is brought to notice by the trip of Joseph Ulmer, a practical mining engineer and prospector, now in this city. Going up the Stikine in snowshoes he reached Telegraph Creek and from there struck southward, following the leading streams. Since then he has thoroughly prospected the whole of the unknown country directly north of the Groundhog district for a radius of a hundred miles. He is greatly impressed with what may be called his discovery and earnest in his arguments that the Grand Trunk Pacific should immediately give some promise of building the branch line surveyed through this country from Hazelton to Dawson.

formation reminds one of Colorado. In the Gartner Range, the south extension of the Cassiar Range from the main Cassiar, the formation consists chiefly of primary metamorphic and intrusive rocks. This is flanked by the great lava beds extending from the Naas to Toova Lake and southeasterly and to the east by the Skeena series of coal formations.

"The country, as I said, has never been prospected for quartz, though I believe a few prospectors have gone into parts of it after placer. It is not correctly mapped, even. I met up with W. F. Robertson, the provincial mineralogist, in the Groundhog country, to whom I gave some notes which will lead to certain minor corrections in the next provincial maps of the section I prospected over."

"It is a fine country for agriculture and is also well mineralized. Gold, silver, copper and probably iron will be found there and also the rarer minerals. Tungsten I found in quantity, and wherever you find that you find the rarer minerals associated with it. What is needed, and the only thing needed, to open up this rich country is transportation facilities. That will come in time, no doubt. The country is now ready for the prospector and the investors who have the means and the time to investigate thoroughly. I have never gone through a country that looks so promising in every respect. I am leaving on the next Prince Rupert for Granby, and after a stay there shall probably hike back into this interior country."

**Delegate to Conference.**  
London, May 14.—The London societies' delegate to the International Geographical Conference, which is to be held in Toronto in August, is its president, Dr. A. Strahan.

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CONFERENCE ON CALIFORNIA ALIEN LAND BILL.

This is the notable scene in which the Secretary of State of the United States, despatched to California by President Wilson, is unavailably pleading with the governor of that sovereign state not to pass the alien land bill for fear Japan might not like it. Governor Johnson is in the centre, with the secretary of state of California on the left and Secretary Bryan on his right. The latter's arguments were overruled and the bill has since been signed in spite of the protest of the United States, the president and cabinet of which are in great perplexity as to what they can do in the premises. As told in another column, the cabinet wrestled with this question for two hours yesterday.

#### UNITED STATES' REPLY TO JAPAN'S PROTEST

Draft Discussed for Two Hours by the Cabinet—Document Not Made Public.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Washington, May 17.—A tentative draft of the reply of the United States government to the Japanese protest against the California land legislation was considered by the cabinet yesterday. Two hours were devoted to the discussion of the draft the nature of which is not made public.

A number of army officers were ordered to Hawaii yesterday. Special efforts are being made by the army and navy departments not to start any sensational rumors by making public any orders that may be issued.

#### HAS RETURNED FROM IMMIGRATION TOUR

Former Resident of This City Had Successful Campaign in Scotland.

Among the arrivals by the steamer Prince Rupert this morning was J. F. McDonald, a former well known resident of Prince Rupert. Most of the old timers will remember him when he was in the furniture business here. After retiring from the mercantile business Mr. McDonald secured a government position on the Queen Charlotte Islands. About six months ago he was sent by the government to the old country to give a series of immigration lectures in Aberdeenshire, Scotland. Judging from newspaper and other reports, Mr. McDonald has had a most successful tour. He is looking particularly well after his trip abroad.

#### St. Andrews' Excursion

The committee in charge of the St. Andrews' Society excursion to Port Simpson on the 24, have heard from Mr. Richards, proprietor of the Northern hotel there and R. Boyd Young, the merchant, to the effect that they will have everything prepared to give the excursionists a hearty welcome, "and if it should happen to rain—which it never does at Port Simpson, they can dance under cover," writes Mr. Richards. It is well to purchase tickets before the 22nd as only a limited number can be sold.

#### NAVAL BILL PASSED.

(Special to Daily News.)

Ottawa, May 17.—The naval bill passed its third reading in the house yesterday by a majority of thirty-two, the Nationalists voting against it. The bill now goes to the Senate.

#### EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES MUST GET LICENSES

New Regulations Aim to Protect Immigrants from Unscrupulous Persons.

Chief of Police Vickers has just received from the superintendent of immigration at Ottawa a circular drawing attention to the adoption of more stringent regulations in regard to employment agencies. Under the new act all employment agencies must have a license signed by the mayor and chief of police or by the local immigration agent. The object of the new regulations is to prevent, as far as possible, unscrupulous men from engaging in the business and defrauding immigrants coming to Canada who are not familiar with language and customs of the country.

#### THE WEATHER.

The weather report at 5 o'clock this morning read: Barometer, 30.134; maximum temperature, 50; minimum temperature, 40; precipitation, .06 inch.

#### EMPIRE DAY, MAY 24

Government Will Not Change Date of Holiday.

(Special to Daily News.)  
Ottawa, May 15.—The Dominion government will not change the observation of Victoria Day from Saturday, May 24, to Monday, May 26. There has been some talk in favor of the change, because this year the celebration falls on Saturday, but the date has never been changed in the past on this account and will be observed as usual this year on May 24.

#### EXPRESS RATES TO BE VERY SOON REDUCED

Railway Board Issues Formal Notice Making the 20 Per Cent. Reduction Effective.

Ottawa, May 14.—The formal order of the railway board making a reduction of 20 per cent. in the express charges in the west has been issued. It is as follows:

1. That the express companies under the jurisdiction of the board be required to submit new standard tariffs of maximum mileage rates to be charged for express freight classified as "merchandise" between points west of and including Sudbury, Ont., making a reduction of approximately 20 per cent. from the maximum mileage rates in excess of 50 cents a hundred pounds now being charged, the said reduced maximum rates to carry with them the appropriate tolls of the graduated tables, scales K and M, and the special tariff for single shipments of five hundred pounds or over.

2. That the said maximum rates, so reduced, for the mileage group from 900 to 1,000 miles, do not exceed \$4 a hundred pounds in the sections between Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., and Crow's Nest, Canmore and Thornton, Alberta, and \$4.75 a hundred pounds in the section west thereof, in place of \$5 and \$6, respectively, as now charged.

3. That the reduced standard tariffs of the maximum mileage rates be published and filed before the fifth day of July, 1913.

#### G. T. P. TICKET OFFICE

Closed as a Mark of Respect to Late Passenger Traffic Manager.

As a tribute of respect to the late W. E. Davis, passenger traffic manager of the Grand Trunk system, whose death occurred at Montreal yesterday, all of the passenger and ticket offices on the entire system were closed today between the hours of 11:30 and 12, Montreal time (8:30 to 9 o'clock Prince Rupert time). In addition to closing during those hours the local office in the Hart Block was suitably draped.

We close on May 24. Stalker & Wells. Phones 187 and 430. 1151f

#### CANADIAN PARLIAMENT SHOULD CONTROL SUM VOTED FOR NAVY

LIBERALS CONTEND THAT ALL BORDEN PROPOSES COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED UNDER THE EXISTING NAVAL SERVICE ACT—LEMIEUX'S AMENDMENT.

Ottawa, May 15.—When the house met this morning the final stage of the naval bill was entered upon when Premier Borden called the third reading.

William German of Welland was immediately on his feet with the object of moving his amendment, rejected in committee, with the object that the money be voted annually as required and spent under the control of parliament and not of the governor-in-council, as provided by the bill. Mr. German said that the Liberals have shown a desire to have parliament united on this question and if it is not united the one man to blame is the prime minister. It had not been controverted that everything that Mr. Borden proposed to do could be accomplished under the existing Naval Service Act. Mr. Borden knew when he introduced this bill that the Liberals could not support it and remain true to the principles which have guided the party in the past. He knew his bill would prove to be contentious but was forced to introduce it because the Nationalists had been promised that the Naval Service Act passed by the late government would be repealed. Mr. German said that if

Mr. Borden would withdraw his bill and proceed under the Naval Service Act he for one would support him.

Mr. Borden, replying to Mr. German, said that in view of the Liberal contention that all that was being done by the present bill could be done under the old Naval Service Act, he did not understand the reason for the Liberal objections. They had opposed the naval bill, declaring it subversive of every principle of Liberalism. That was neither logical nor accurate.

Hon. Rudolphe Lemieux followed with an amendment in the form of a suggested new clause providing that all works under the act be executed under the powers of the Naval Service Act. He maintained that the government's proposal is a backward step which if it means anything, means the beginning of a policy of permanent contribution.

Mr. Borden asked Mr. Lemieux to say where he had ever made a statement to indicate that this was a policy of permanent contribution.

Mr. Lemieux replied that the Premier's speeches had been so conflicting that one could form no other impression.

#### BASEBALL.

##### Northwestern League.

Vancouver 3, Seattle 4.  
Victoria 4, Portland 9.  
Spokane 4, Tacoma 7.

##### Coast League.

San Francisco 5, Oakland 6.  
Venice 6, Sacramento 2.  
Los Angeles 5, Portland 2.

##### National League.

Philadelphia 10, Chicago 4.  
New York 7, Pittsburgh 4.  
Brooklyn 6, St. Louis 5.

##### American League.

Detroit 5, Washington 2.  
Boston 3, St. Louis 2.  
Philadelphia 8, Cleveland 5.  
Chicago 7, New York 0.

##### CAR LINE STRIKE

Twenty-Six Strikers Arrested for Interference With Operation of Line

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Cincinnati, May 17.—During the rioting last night two men and a youth were badly injured. Twenty-six men were arrested for interfering with the lines of the traction company, whose employees are on strike.

#### MILITANTS ATTEMPT TO WRECK RAILWAY

Startling Sequence to Anonymous Letter Received by Midland Railway Officials.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 17.—A startling sequel to the warning received by the officials of the Midland Railway, contained in an anonymous letter dated May 12th, came to light yesterday. The letter stated that a systematic attempt would be made to wreck the main line of the company, and was so explicit that the line has since been carefully guarded. Yesterday two men were found hiding in a culvert near Whaley, Lancashire, with axes, crowbars and other tools. They were placed under arrest and it is believed they intended carrying out the threat contained in the letter from the militant suffragettes.

##### Anti-Boxing Bill Killed.

Sacramento, Cal., May 14.—There will be no anti-boxing law passed during the present session of the legislature, according to all indications here today. Assemblyman Brown's drastic anti-boxing bill has been killed in the assembly, and Senator Brown's amended bill probably will never be brought before the Senate for action.

## F. O. E. Excursion

BY C. P. R. STEAMER

### PRINCESS MARY

Third Anniversary of Aerie No. 1945, Fraternal Order of Eagles Will Be Celebrated

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