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**THE MORNING GUARDIAN.**  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1898.

**THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN TROUBLE.**

The latest phase of the trouble in the east has hardly been made sufficiently clear by our despatches. Everybody has probably grasped the general idea that the differences between the powers in the east has become chronic and is likely to continue as the eastern question in Europe did for half a century, frequently darkening the horizon with threatening clouds and possibly breaking into open war.

The chronic trouble may be said to have begun with Russia's arbitrary interference in the settlement between China and Japan at the close of the war of 1894. The first series of aggressions ended with China being practically compelled to lease Port Arthur to Russia as a commercial terminus for the Siberian Railway. The so-called lease at once became a practical cession and with this came the Russian occupation of north eastern China. Subsequent events have proved that these audacious encroachments are but the entering wedge of Russia's schemes for controlling the commerce of the Chinese Empire.

The immediate cause of the present critical relations may be briefly stated.—Last month it was announced that the Russo-Chinese Bank had arranged to lend money to and thus control the first section of the railroad which is to be built through the center of the Yan-Tse valley, a region within the British "sphere of influence," and that the second section was to be similarly financed by a Belgian-French syndicate in the interest of Russia. That was naturally most annoying to Great Britain, but worse was to come. The Chinese government applied to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, a British concern, for a loan on the new railroad to New-Chwang, in the Russian "sphere of influence." To that Russia instantly objected, and demanded from the Tsung-li-Yamen (the Chinese foreign office) a written assurance that no such loan should be made. That drew the issue pretty sharply. Russia claimed the right to enter the Russian sphere but refused to let British capital enter the Russian sphere.

The next move was made by Great Britain. Sir Claude MacDonald, the Ambassador at Peking, informed the Tsung-li-Yamen that it should grant to a British subject a concession to build or operate a railroad anywhere in China, and any other power objected and committed an act of aggression upon China on that account. Great Britain would give to China her fullest support, presumably with force and arms, against that other power. That was equivalent to saying to China that if she would disregard Russia's protest and menaces and make the New-Chwang loan Great Britain would support her in so doing, even to the extent of a war with Russia.

The full significance of what has just been stated will be better appreciated when it is added that a recent change in the Chinese administration has brought Li Hung Chang, the devoted friend of Russia, to the head of the foreign office. We are further told that at the instance of Russia the recall of Sir Claude MacDonald, the British Minister to Perkin, will be demanded, on the ground that he is persona non grata to the new Chinese government. Thus matters look threatening enough. Russia is steadily encroaching at the north, and France is equally eager to grab at the south. Both are hostile to the British policy of the "open door." Their grab game does not interfere with each other; they can work cordially together prompted by mutual interest and a common

hostility to Britain. It may be that Britain, even with no other ally than Japan, may yet be compelled to fight them both.

Since the above was in type our despatches tell that the British foreign office has taken the initiative and demanded the dismissal of Li Hung Chang and failing this will seize Chinese ports as material guarantees. This looks warlike.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**

In reply to an inquirer it may be again stated that the plebiscite vote will be taken on the provincial lists, in accordance with the principle of the new franchise act.

The twenty ninth of September, the date of the plebiscite, comes on the day of the full moon, and consequently at a time of high tide. Whether this foreshadows a tidal wave in favor of prohibition, or that the opponents of prohibition will be unusually "full" on that date, remains to be seen.

Toronto Globe proposes a world's fair to be held in 1901, in the Ontario capital. As the world's fairs of Philadelphia, London, Paris and Chicago were all run at a big loss, it may be questioned whether it would be advisable for Canada to enter the list with the almost certain prospect of a still bigger deficit. Canada has no city large enough for a world's fair.

Undoubtedly a good deal of the plentiful crop of hay on the Island has been more or less injured by the frequent showers of the past two or three weeks while the labor of hay-making has been greatly increased and coupled with much loss of time as well. It is to be hoped that finer weather will now prevail, yesterday having given happy augury of the change. There is yet a considerable quantity of hay to be gathered in and if well cured will tend to offset in some measure what has been injured in the earlier part of the season. Otherwise the hay crop of this season will be distinguished for quantity rather than for quality.

Interest is growing both in Canada and the States in regard to the coming tariff to be fixed for Cuba and Porto Rico. It seems not yet settled whether at the outset there is to be free trade between Porto Rico and the United States. Cuba will probably have a separate tariff in which the United States will have a preference. There is a pretty general impression that Canadian trade with the late Spanish West Indies, notably in fish, will be less favorably conditioned than heretofore.

The British army consists of 659,500 officers and men. Of these 74,500 are paid for by India. There are also 47,000 men in the colonies and in Egypt, leaving a total military force of 538,000 men in the United Kingdom. Of these the regular troops number slightly under 100,000, the reserves 82,000, the militia 114,000, the yeomanry 10,000, and the volunteers 230,000. The total cost of all the British forces at home and abroad is a little over \$115,000,000 a year. A regular costs annually \$415, a reservist \$50, a militiaman \$73.50, and a volunteer \$27.50.

Down to the close of the Civil War in the States no value was attached to cotton seed, and now it is a source of nearly as large receipts to the cotton growers as the cotton itself. Recent investigations tend to the belief that a valuable part of the great corn crop of America has been in like manner wasted. As the result of recent investigation and experiment it has been demonstrated that corn cobs when ground up with the corn. Corn and cob meal has been proven to fatten steers about equally as well as corn meal alone. In a word millions of tons of valuable cattle food have been annually wasted by rejecting the dispised cobs.

Hon Mr Fisher, minister of Agriculture, is being criticised for having stated in an interview with a London paper that "Our making of wine is as yet only in the experimental stage, but we hope to make something of it." As is well known there is a quantity of wine produced in Western Ontario, to which Mr Fisher probably refers. None of the prominent political prohibitionists of Canada have escaped like criticism. Sir Leonard Tilley, whose fidelity to prohibition was never seriously questioned, once when visiting a brewery in Halifax was civil enough to wish the proprietor "success," and Hon Mr Foster is on record as saying that he had "in a moment of weakness" voted for prohibition. A little wholesome criticism may be of benefit if it teaches the two survivors of the trio to be more careful of their words in future.

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