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## PRAIRIE WHEAT CROP ABUNDANT

Harvesting will be General in a few Days—  
Crop Greatest in Canada's History—Al-  
ready Farmers are Sowing for Next  
Year's Crop.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 1—(Special)—Within a few days harvesting will be general all over the Northwest. Already Alberta farmers are sowing winter wheat and without exception this crop has proved a great success. Five years ago there was practically no winter wheat grown, but it is so promising that it will become almost the sole crop of the new Provinces. Reports from all sections are brighter than ever previously received and the yield this season will be the greatest and best in Canada's history.

## ELECTRIC LIGHT CONTRACT RENEWED

Upon Terms Agreed upon—Subject to the  
Approval of the Citizens at a Public Meet-  
ing to be Held Next Tuesday.

A special meeting of the City Council was held last night to consider the electric lighting contract and matters in connection with the streets. The Mayor and all the Councillors but Messrs. Prowse, Roddin and Alley were present.

Coun. Paton suggested that the work on the street between Queen and Pownall on Kent street had better be stopped for the present and the work between Prince and Hillsboro on the same street finished. This would allow more work on concrete sidewalks for which there are many requisitions including one from all the owners but one on Sunnyside. He thought it better that the concrete work on Pownall street be stopped for the present in order that Sunnyside be finished.

This was agreed upon.

Coun. Riley then introduced the electric light contract question and moved the following resolution, seconded by Coun. Hooper:

Resolved—that the city of Charlottetown enter into a contract with the Charlottetown Light and Power Co for lighting the city streets for a term of five years from the expiration of the present contract upon the following conditions: To install throughout the city not less than seventy five 6.6 ampere 'improved' enclosed arc lamps and as many more as may be required from time to time at the rate of \$75 per lamp, per year—to provide such 32 candle power incandescent lamps as are at present installed at \$18 per lamp and for any further 32 candle power lamps as are required at the rate of \$20 per lamp—to reduce the cost of commercial and domestic lighting to 11 cents net per kilowatt hour; the Company to guarantee that the above rate will not be increased during the continuance of the contract about to be entered into for street lighting; the Company also to agree to do away with the minimum rate charge and to supply gas for heating and power at \$1.50 per M. and the Company to undertake to make a reduction of 20 per

cent on the price of illuminating gas as soon as the present consumption is increased one half. Further details to be given to the satisfaction of the Council. Before this agreement is finally ratified the matter to be submitted to a public meeting for the endorsement of the citizens.

Coun. Hooper reviewed the history of the electric light question. He thought notwithstanding the verdict of the city for municipal electric light plant it would be a bold councillor that would undertake an issue of debentures in the present indebtedness of the city. The matter had been given much consideration and if there were any mistake it was an error of judgment. Then there was the question of destroying the value of the Company's plant by erection of a city plant.

Coun. Paton had given the matter much consideration and after writing to many cities had come to the conclusion that the present offer was a very reasonable one. In five years time a plant could be built much cheaper. There is also the question of responsibility which the city would have to bear in case of a municipal plant.

Coun. Stewart regretted the haste and the absence of some of the Councillors. On the report of the Engineer a plebiscite was taken and though the vote was small it was strongly in favor of the erection of a plant. This was followed up by legislation to erect a plant. There was no mandate from the citizens to renew the contract but if the present offer is the best for the city he would approve of it if endorsed at the public meeting.

The motion was carried and His Worship suggested that the meeting of the citizens for consideration be held as soon as possible, early next week if it can be arranged.

It was agreed that the citizens' meeting be held next Tuesday.

A motion was passed that after the concrete work on Prince be finished work be commenced on Sunnyside.

The Council then adjourned.

## POLICE COURT AND MILITARY

Magistrate Orders Militiamen  
to Remove Helmets—a  
Tempest in a Teapot.

TORONTO, Aug. 1—(Special)—In the Police Court today a military escort appeared to receive a soldier who had been arrested for drunkenness.

The members of the escort were ordered by Magistrate Denison to remove their helmets and were also reprimanded for having failed to do so without orders.

The military men claim that the soldiers should not have obeyed and a tempest in a teapot is the result of the incident.

## FORMAL OPENING HILLSBORO SCHOOL

THE formal opening of the Macdonald Consolidated School, Hillsboro, will take place at 4.30 p. m., on Thursday, Aug. 3rd. His Excellency the Governor General is expected to be present. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor will preside and the speakers will include Dr. James W. Robertson, Dr. Anderson and Principal Robertson. His Excellency will probably inspect the School on Thursday, previous to the opening ceremonies.

## FRANCE DOUBTS THE SINCERITY OF GERMANY

PARIS, July 31.—The activity of the German commercial agents and officials with reference to the Moroccan situation is causing grave doubts on the part of the French people as to Germany's good faith. Despite the decision of the two governments not to interfere with the status quo until the international conference meets, the Germans are trying their utmost to extract commercial concessions from the Sultan, hoping thereby to strengthen Germany's position at the conference. Inquiries in well-informed circles, however, show that it is not believed that Germany is officially authorizing these efforts to secure advantages, though difficulties are likely to arise from this action with constant protraction of negotiations.

Count Von Tattenbuch Asshold is furthering the efforts of German agents, which already have resulted in securing a concession for the construction of wharves, while strong efforts are being made to obtain a cable concession and the acceptance of a German loan.

Such proceedings, it is believed here, do not tend to hasten a friendly understanding, but the approaching interview between Premier Rouvier and Prince Von Radolin, the German ambassador to France, is expected to result in the dispelling of doubts and the completion of a satisfactory arrangement.

## CORNER IN JULY WHEAT IS ENDED

WINNIPEG, July 31.—The "corner" in July wheat ended today with the close of the grain exchange at Winnipeg. This terminates for the time being, at least, the first successful corner ever engineered in Canadian grain. The agony is over, and those who sold wheat which they did not own know approximately what the amusement cost but the public will never know as there have been private settlements made from day to day at prices all the way up to \$1.33. There is a well grounded idea abroad among men that there is also a very considerable short interest in August, which, however, has been accumulating in a different way, as August is not what is known as a speculative option month such as July. The August sales of wheat, especially to eastern and foreign millers, who must have the wheat for mixing purposes, is reported to be considerable, but as these sales were made in the way of supply and demand, and though large in the aggregate, yet in small lots, it is not likely that any sensational advances will again be recorded.



## EXCITING CHASE AFTER MURDERER

Who had Killed His Wife and Escaped to Woods—  
Captured in Dense Thicket—Another  
Crime Sprung from the Whisky  
Barrel.

CHESTER, MASS., Aug. 1—(Special)—After nine hours of hard chase over rocks and hills and through woods Charles Tiedman was captured by a crowd of citizens and constables today and brought back here for murdering his wife. Tiedman is twenty-five years old and has been married two years. He has been drinking and for the past

year has not lived at home. Today he returned, opened a window of the house and shot his wife with a revolver. He then fled to the woods and citizens started in pursuit. During his nine hours flight he had covered only three miles so dense was the woods.

## RUSSIAN OPINION ON PEACE PROSPECT

Czar's Assurance Says He  
Will Never Conclude  
Shameful Peace. M.  
Witte Talks.

LONDON, July 31.—The Daily Telegraph correspondent on board the Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse, on which M. Witte, the Russian peace plenipotentiary is a passenger, sends an interview which he has had with M. Witte in which the latter said that if Russia and Japan had agreed upon a common basis before appointing peace plenipotentiaries it would have been much better. As it was, M. Witte said he regarded himself rather as an imperial courier sent to ascertain the terms of Japan. He was prepared to make peace, nevertheless, he added, as his powers were very complete, and he would discuss the demands based on Japan's actual military and naval successes in a business-like spirit of give and take.

"But I cannot and will not," continued M. Witte, "entertain demands based upon expected military successes in the future. I am conversant with the humane intentions of my imperial master and I will do anything compatible with Russia's honor and dignity to establish that work of which I have been an unswerving advocate. My first task, however, in the new world will be to search for a basis of fruitful discussion."

St. Petersburg, July 29.—The emperor has issued the following note in reply to an appeal from the clergy of Orenburg not to conclude a shameful peace: "The Russian people can rely on me. Never will I conclude a shameful peace or one unworthy of Great Russia."

## LINEVITCH SAYS HE'S QUITE SAFE

Japs Attempted to Turn His Flank but Failed  
and Cant Approach His Main Position—  
Japs Win Another Fight on Sakhalin  
Island.

ST. PETERSBURG, August 1—(Special)—General Linevitch telegraphs emphatically denying the published reports that his army has been surrounded.

He declares the Russian force has never been in a dangerous position, nor have the flanks been turned, although the Japs attempted to do so. The Japanese, he adds, have unsuccessfully endeavored to approach the Russian main position.

TOKIO, August 1—(Special)—Official reports from Sakhalin Island state that on Friday the Japanese army defeated Russians south of Rykoff and later occupied Palero. After hard fighting the Russians retired southward.

## YELLOW FEVER PLAGUE GROWS

In New Orleans—Deaths Mostly Among Italians  
—Great Heat Prevails—Still the Sanitary  
Authorities are not Greatly Alarmed.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 1—(Special)—Owing to the intense heat during the past few days there were more deaths than usual from yellow fever today and many new cases developed, the greater number of the patients being Italians. Scientists are not alarmed over the situation, claiming that it is still possible to trace all the deaths to the original centre of contagion. By the first of next week, when the period of germ incubation expires the experts will be able to tell whether the disease is breaking out in new districts and whether or not they will be able to control it.

## KAISER'S VISIT TO KING CHRISTIAN

Monarchs Embraced and Got  
a Great Reception From  
the Populace, Long  
Conference Followed.

COPENHAGEN, July 31.—The meeting between Emperor William of Germany and King Christian today was of a very quiet and informal character but the emperor's absorbed demeanor seemed to show that he attached great importance to the visit. The forts and warships fired royal salutes on the arrival of the imperial yacht Hohenzollern.

King Christian was attired in the uniform of a German Uhlan, and in company with the crown prince and the other ministers, Premier Christensen and Foreign Minister Count Lervitzau, welcomed the emperor, who wore the uniform of a Danish admiral. There was no formal reception. The monarchs embraced and Emperor William conveyed to King Christian the greetings of Emperor Nicholas of Russia. The party immediately entered carriages and drove to Bernstorff castle amidst much cheering by the spectators. Throughout the drive the emperor was in earnest conversation with the king and took little notice of the decorations or the populace.

The monarchs walked together in the palace gardens this afternoon and this evening there was a state dinner at which forty guests assembled. King Christian briefly thanked the emperor for his visit, and the latter expressed his thanks for having been two years ago appointed a Danish admiral.

## TRADE AND SHIPPING. PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN.

Aug. 1. ar—Diploma, Williams, Port Hawkesbury; Stanley Mac, Whittle, North Sydney.

Aug. 1. old—Parthenia, Blackmore, Pictou; S. E. Cove; Fongere, Sydney.

## CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, August 1—(Special)—  
July Corn 45 1/2 Sept Corn 41 1/2  
Wheat 86 " Wheat 84 1/2  
" Pork \$13.40 " Pork \$13.47

## BORN

At Fleming Assa, on July 9th, to George and Mrs Campbell, late of Bedeque a son.

## WILL GO TO KINGSTON.

KINGSTON, July 30.—Capt. E. H. V. DeBury of the Royal Garrison Artillery, adjutant at the Windward Islands, has been appointed professor of artillery at the Royal Military College here.

## QUARANTINED AT CUBA.

HOUSTON, Tex., July 29.—The Southern Pacific received a cable from Havana, Cuba, stating that Cuba has instituted a rigid quarantine against all Gulf ports from Topeka to the Swanen River.

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