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THE AT HOME AT GOVERN'T HOUSE

Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. McKinnon Entertain a Large and Happy Company—An Auspicious Beginning of their Hospitality—Full List of the Invited Guests.

The blizzard of last evening was of a severity that would naturally prompt most persons to stay in the seclusion of their own homes unless some great attraction called them to go forth. Such an attraction was found in the first At Home given by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. McKinnon at Government House, and it quite filled the stately old residence with fair women and brave men, the elite of Charlottetown with some guests from a distance. It was shortly after nine before the reception was over and dancing began, and the succession of lancers, valse, two step and militaire was indulged in with great zest until the midnight hour. Meanwhile in the drawing room and parlor many tables had been set for progressive whist which was much enjoyed by those who did not care to dance. Thus there was something to occupy the time and attention of everyone and the evening passed pleasantly and all too quickly. At midnight a rich repast was spread in the dining hall where the long array of guests were served. Thereafter dancing was resumed with increased spirit until one o'clock when the assembled guests took their leave. It was really a most charming "at home," with sufficient stateliness, yet without stiffness, and all enjoyed themselves to the full. His Honor and Mrs. McKinnon contributed in every possible way to make everybody happy. There is every prospect that Government House under their regime will rival the popularity of its palatial days in the past.

Two Step—Kurama, Recker. Valse—To Say Good-bye, Ascher. The prizes at whist were won respectively as follows: Ladies—First:—Miss Florence Pope; Mrs. Bagnall, the minority prize. Gentlemen—First:—R. G. Wallace; James Paton, the minority prize. Following is a list of the invited guests: Auld, George E. and Mrs. Aitkin, W. H. and Mrs. Anderson, Dr. Mrs. and Miss Alford, Morris. Arsenault, J. O. and Mrs. Anderson, Capt. and Mrs. Aitkin, Miss and Miss Estelle Alley, Dr. Gordon T. Brown, Ambrose and Mrs. Brown, Miss Mary Bayer, J. A. S. and Mrs. Bartlett, A. A. and Mrs. and Miss Bayfield, Edward and Mrs. and Miss Bagnall, Dr. and Mrs. Blanchard, Dr. and Mrs. and Miss Blanchard, E. Sterling Brown, Alex. and Mrs. Beer, E. H. and Mrs. Beer, Louis H. and Mrs. Beer, Dr. C. H. Bremner, L. B. Bentley, W. E. and Mrs. Blanchard, Judge Benning, H. W. Beer, L. L. and Mrs. Buntain, H. V. and Mrs. Brehaut, Alver Brecken, Leith E. Brehaut, Louis Prof.

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FREIGHT TRAIN WAS DERAILED

MONCTON, Jan. 25.—(Special)—A bad wreck took place near Amqui on the I. C. R. yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. Rogers, freight special was proceeding along about three miles east of Amqui when the whole train of sixteen loaded cars left the rails, the locomotive and van alone remaining on the track. Ten cars were badly smashed up and the freight will have to be transhipped. Trains are held up by the accident, six hundred feet of track and the road bed being torn up. The Maritime express is five hours late. General Superintendent J. E. Price left last night for the scene of the accident. No one was injured. Cause of accident is not known.

THE TRAINS.

The afternoon train west did not reach English till three o'clock this morning. The train coming from the west laid up at Summerside all night, not coming through to the city as stated on page 5.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, January 25.—(Special)—Jan. Corn 45 1/2 May Corn 45 1/2 Wheat 92 1/2 Wheat 115 Pork 12.87 1/2 Pork 13.05

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RUSSIANS ESCAPING FROM PORT ARTHUR

The terrible straits to which the Russians in Port Arthur had been reduced is best shown by the desperate chances taken by deserters to escape out of the fire-riddled fortress. The grouped illustrations show the various attempts made recently to get out of the doomed fort.

RUSSIAN TROUBLE STILL CONTINUES UNABATED

St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—(Special)—The city remains quiet. The authorities have issued a proclamation advising all the striking workmen to return to their labors and promising that their grievances shall be considered by the Government. Private advices from all the big cities and towns of Russia indicate that there is excitement everywhere. The red flag demonstrations at Helsingfors, Finland last night were disquieting but there is no evidence yet of a general movement.

The appointment of Seshator Linder as Secretary of State for Finland announced Jan'y. 22 is just at this time considered to be an unfortunate blunder and is likely to prove exceedingly distasteful to the Finns. A notice was posted this morning at all the works giving the strikers 24 hours to resume their employment and intimating that those who did not comply would be deported. Governor General Treppoff was in

supreme command of the city today. Although a state of siege has not been actually proclaimed it practically exists, the Emperor having conferred upon him as Governor General almost absolute power authorizing him to use the gendarmes and every other agency of the Government to preserve order, placing under his control the Government works and schools and even empowering him to exile persons who are inimical to peace. During the night hundreds of arrests were made.

A SAD CASE IN ONTARIO

Died with Her Children by Her Bedside—Buried Without Service and Alone.

SAULT STE MARIE, ONT., Jan. 25.—(Special)—While her husband was away hunting Mrs. John Johnston died with her children about her bed and with no doctor within a hundred miles. Johnson brought the children to an orphanage here and has returned home to bury his wife beside their woodland home. There will be no burial service and Johnson will be alone at the funeral.

A BIG OCEAN STEAMSHIP RACE

VICTORIA, B. C. Jan. 25.—(Special)—Keen interest is manifested by shipping men throughout the Northwest over a Trans Pacific race which was started on Monday, the prize being supremacy in speed among Oriental passenger carriers. The Minnesota, Jas. J. Hill's mammoth liner, which is to be operated hereafter in connection with the great northern steamship lines, left Seattle at 4:30 p. m. on Monday. The Empress of Japan sailed from Victoria outward exactly five hours later. Bets are being made that the Express will beat the Minnesota into Yokohama by six clear days and reach Hong Kong ten days ahead of her opponent.

ENDED LIFE.

WINNIPEG, Man. Jan. 22.—Mrs. J. H. Mills, a Winnipeg woman committed suicide in a Brandon resort by taking carbolic acid. Her husband is an engineer in Winnipeg.

BULOW SCORES THE TRADE UNIONS

Says They Have Not Sprung From Economic, But Political Motives—The Big Strike.

BERLIN, January 22.—The ministeria seats in the Reichstag and the galleries for distinguished strangers, and the public were filled today in expectation that Chancellor Von Bulow would outline the policy of the emperor and government toward the great coal strike that has already partially paralyzed German industry. The socialistic party had interpellated the government and Otto Hue set forth the case of the miners in a speech. Herr Hue is a locksmith from Essen, who formerly worked for the Krupp, and is reputed to know the conditions of the miners thoroughly. Chancellor Von Bulow replying, said that in the foreground of this question was public interest. He had already said that the government had two duties, the first was that quiet and order should be maintained, under all circumstances. He would say that the full power at disposal of the state would be used if the wage war degenerated into excess.

Count Von Bulow aroused energetic protests from the socialist members by asserting that the trade unions in Germany had not sprung from economic, but from political motives. He alleged that the socialists were using the strike merely as a means of fomenting hate and intensifying class warfare interests of party. If the strike continues extending, the chancellor said, the responsibility will rest with the agitators, who have driven the miners into fanaticism. Count Von Bulow indicated no step that the government intends to take to end the strike. Herr Moeller, the Prussian minister of commerce and industry complained that Herr Hue's speech rendered it very difficult for him (Moeller) to continue in his non-partisan role.

NOTED HUNGARIAN DEAD.

BUDAPEST, Jan. 21.—Count Julius Szapary, former Premier of Hungary and at one time President of the Hungarian delegation, died today at Abbazia Austria.

THE STORM ALONG THE N. B. COAST

Wind, Snow and Intense Cold—Street-cars Stopped and Shipping in Great Peril.

St. JOHN, Jan. 25.—(Special)—One of the worst storms of the season has been raging today all along the coast. Wind and snow accompanied by intense cold prevailed.

Street railway communication is tied up in many towns, but as yet the damage to telegraph and telephone wires is slight. A number of schooners and steamers have not arrived at their destinations and some fears are entertained for their safety but as the storm was predicted very few vessels ventured out. Reports from all New England points show that the storm has been general.

PARLIAMENT WAS BUSY YESTERDAY

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—(Special)—In spite of the fact that only a small number of members were present today the House got through considerable business. The earlier part of the day was taken up in answering questions from several members and later the House got down to the post office estimates.

THE WEATHER

THE PROBABILITIES. TORONTO, Jan. 25.—(Special)—North-easterly, shifting northwesterly gales, snow during the day clearing at night and very cold.

THE TEMPERATURE. The zero weather of Tuesday prevailed all day yesterday and through the wild storm of last night. The coldest yesterday was 19 deg. below zero and this morning it was 10 above zero.

ROSS GOVERNMENT BADLY DEFEATED

A Political Landslide Gives Whitney over Fifty Majority—Three Members of Government Beaten and Others Have Small Majorities—A Surprising Result.

TORONTO, Jan. 25.—(Special)—Ontario today gave a stern rebuke to the electoral corruption by means of which the Ross Government has since 1902 maintained itself in power.

The returns indicate that Mr. Whitney will have a majority of forty eight in the new Legislature. Such a landslide is altogether unknown in the history of Ontario.

The situation may perhaps best be indicated by the mere statement that North Oxford has elected a Conservative by a large majority. One thousand has been regarded as the usual Liberal majority in that riding.

Three of the Ross Cabinet fell in the fray, Dryden in South Ontario, Latchford in South Renfrew and Evanturel in Prescott.

All others had close calls. Ross himself had his majority of six hundred in 1902 reduced to a beggarly 30.

Graham and McKay did as well as any of them, the former's majority being reduced by about a hundred while McKay's was largely increased, due to the fact that his electors were told he was to succeed Ross as Premier.

Harcourt had only 50 majority and Charlton 25. Ex-Attorney-General Gibson was decisively beaten and the constituencies represented by Davis and Stratton both went Conservative by large majorities.

Returns show that seventy-five Conservatives have been elected and twenty-three Liberals.

[At this writing with only the earlier bulletins of the Ontario elections of yesterday before us, it would appear that the Ross Government has met with a most crushing defeat. This is not surprising in view of the very long term of power which the Liberal party has enjoyed in the big Central Province. It was in December 1871 that the Sandfield Macdonald Ministry was defeated and Hon. Edward Blake was called upon to form the first Liberal Administration. When he resigned nearly a year later Sir Oliver Mowat succeeded him as Premier and retained that position till July 1896, a period of twenty-four years. He in turn was succeeded as Premier by Hon. A. S. Hardy who held office till October 1899, since which time Hon. G. W. Ross has been at the head of the Government. Mainly, and down to the past few years, the record of successive Liberal Governments in Ontario had been an excellent one. But it fell at last upon evil days. The entire term of continuous Liberal power was something over 33 years. This breaks all past record within the British Empire in that regard. Thirty years is indeed a long time without a change of Government. When we think of the Conservative voter who recorded his first vote in 1872 the ripe age of 54 before it became his privilege to vote on the winning side, we shall see how severe has been the task of party fealty which the Ontario Opposition have undergone. Men who were thirty then are now septuagenarians; others who were forty then are now, if living, aged and grey, while the few remaining who were fifty years of age when the Liberal party came into power are now well along in the eighties.]

THEIR EXCELLENCIES VISIT TO MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Jan. 25.—(Special)—Their Excellencies had clear cold weather for their second day in Montreal which was filled with a round of visits to public institutions that kept them busy all the morning, starting at ten o'clock and did not leave them time to rest till ten o'clock tonight.

The institutions visited before luncheon included the General Hospital, the Hotel Dieu, the Royal Victoria Hospital, McGill University where an L. L. D. degree will be bestowed on His Excellency and Royal Victoria Hospital.

The afternoon was occupied with visits to the Grey Nunnery, the Church Home, Victoria Order of Nurses, and Y. M. C. A. concluding with dinner at the Windsor at eight o'clock.

During the evening their excellencies visited two of the big skating rinks of this city.

An unexpected celebration of the visit of the vice royal party was a clear docket at the Recorder's Court this morning, there being not a single prisoner in the cells.

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