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Mr. Fawcett Dismissed.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTTAWA, Oct. 10.—The official announcement of the removal of Gold Commissioner Fawcett and of the appointment of Gordon Hunter in his place, is made.

Editor Imprisoned for
Contempt of Court.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

St. John's, Nfld., Oct. 10.—Mr. Parsons, the editor of the Evening Telegram, and Mr. Herder, the proprietor, have been sentenced to thirty days imprisonment for contempt of court in publishing strictures upon the judges of the Supreme Court. No such penalty has been inflicted in Newfoundland during the last forty years.

Herbert Spencer Near Death.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

LONDON, Oct. 10.—It is stated on the best authority that the condition of Herbert Spencer is regarded by himself as his friends as desperate.

The aged philosopher calmly regards the approach of death, making all final arrangements with characteristic composure and attention to detail.

SHP NEWS.

Port of Charlottetown.

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NATIVE RISING IN NEW HEBRIDES. And Solomon Islanders Making Trouble.

BRITISH WARSHIPS SENT TO
RESTORE ORDER.

The Santa Cruz Group of Islands
Annexed.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 10.—There has been a native uprising in the New Hebrides, started by an attack made by the hill natives upon a French company stationed at Espiritu Santo.

The news reached Noumea, New Caledonia, by the steamer La France on the 22nd ult.

The British cruiser Mildura at once set out from Vila for the scene.

The hill tribes had surrounded the company's station, occupying all roads leading from it, and as they were fully armed, the overseers and laborers employed there were in the greatest peril.

Later news is to the effect that the Mildura has succeeded in affording the protection required, the natives retreating to the hills upon the approach of the warship.

H. M. S. Mohawk has returned to Sydney from the Solomon group.

She has been on a punitive expedition among the islands.

Among the villages visited was that of Volla La Vell.

The natives of this place were concerned in a murderous attack made on Capt. Pratt a well known island trader.

The Mohawk landed an armed party who fired the natives' huts and destroyed the plantations, subsequently the Mohawk called at Limbs, and arrested the chief of the village there in connection with the massacre of another aborigine.

Some native girls had been carried off by Simboda as prisoners, and the Captain of the warship endeavored to obtain their release, but all to no avail, and the chief was taken to Taligu for trial before the British Commissioner.

While on the Mohawk the chief became very violent and he was placed in irons, but a few days later, after being transferred to H. M. S. Goldfinch, he tried to escape by jumping overboard. The ship's boats were promptly lowered and he was returned to the warship and subsequently handed over to the native police at Taligu.

H. M. S. Mohawk has proceeded to the Santa Cruz group.

The ceremony of annexation of the Islands is now in progress.

The Bye Elections.

OTTAWA, Oct 8.—The batch of bye-elections to have been pulled off the end of this month, are deferred to about November 10th, much to the disgust of the Ontario organizer, Smith, who has been here all the week trying to have the original arrangements carried out.

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WAR WITH GERMANY.

Barely Avoided by the United States.

United States papers are greatly interested over the letter of a German officer at the Philippines showing that war with Germany was at one time barely avoided. The letter is dated June 14th, when the situation at Manila was particularly critical. When the communication was first started the Kaiserin Augusta was at Marveles, a port of one of the islands of the Philippine group.

"We are about to sail for Manila," writes the German officer, "a distance of three hours run from here, with the vessel cleared for action. The Prince William and the Cormorant are with us. The Kaiser is with the admiral at Manila. The American admiral notified Admiral Von Diederich that every ship entering the harbor—merchant vessel or warship—will have to receive an American officer on board. The answer that Admiral Von Diederich gave him you can well imagine, but the last thing that the Yankees said was that their admiral intended to carry this order out. We received orders to go into the harbor with the ship cleared for action, which was done within three hours. The Augusta will probably receive her baptism of fire soon. It is a pity, however, that most of our crew are new recruits. I hope, however, to close this letter today if God will, unless affairs go so far that I will not be able to add a few lines to this letter tonight."

Here the letter stopped, but was continued later as follows:

"Dear Brother: The affair ran to seed. The Yankees did nothing—no boat came near us. We ran in with the flag at the peak instead of at the flagstaff. All the guns were loaded and we had live torpedoes in the tubes. The upper deck was cleared of everything movable—ventilators, etc., and boats were swung in. We ran in very slowly, going at eight knots, so as to give the Americans plenty of time, though as we passed them we went with full steam to the flagship. The enthusiasm on board was great. Everybody was anxious to go into battle with the Augusta, as she would be a magnificent ship in action. Her speed, her five torpedo tubes and the fifteen-centimeter rapid-fire guns would have been terribly destructive. We had the red war torpedo funds on instead of the yellow ones, and it seemed to me that we would appear externally as though smeared with blood, and if any one had opposed as they would have experienced the awful effect of our fire. Everything went off very well, though it was for the Americans a moral surrender."

The naval officers at Washington indignantly deny that Admiral Dewey had been down in the manner indicated by the German officer. A declaration from the Navy Department that Dewey made no statement that no ship could enter the harbor of Manila without first being boarded by one of his officers. A report to this effect was circulated at Manila but it was unfounded.

Admiral Dewey, it is stated issued but few proclamations, but he stuck to every one of them. He dictated to the German and other foreign warships what anchor ground they could occupy at Manila and the Germans, as well as the others, observed his directions in this matter strictly.

DEATH IN THE PLAYGROUND

Fatal Result of a Scrimmage.

BOSTON, Mass., Oct 8.—The first fatal accident on the local football gridiron this season happened on Franklin field. Robert Coveney, the seventeen year old son of the late Postmaster Jeremiah W. Coveney, received injuries to his spine which resulted in his death at the city hospital. The lad was playing end on the Hartfords, a local eleven, and the accident happened on a tackle during a scrimmage, four or five men of his own and the opposing eleven coming down on top of him. It was not until he tried to arise that his comrades had any idea that he was severely injured. Then they found that Coveney was unable to move, his neck being twisted and his leg paralyzed.

Trouble in the Transvaal.

LONDON, Oct 8.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Cape Town says it is reported from Johannesburg that Great Britain will take over the Delagoa Bay customs, railroads and telegraphs nine days hence. The despatch adds that the Raad of the Transvaal discussed the draft of a military law binding the Transvaal and the Orange Free State to render each other military assistance in the event of attack from the outside. Gen. Joubert, Vice President of the Transvaal, warmly advocated such a measure, saying that nobody knew what trouble was awaiting the two republics in the near future. It was resolved to temporarily enforce such a law, reserving its full consideration for the future. The action of the Raad is attributed to fear of complications arising from the British possession of Delagoa Bay. Meanwhile, the Transvaal is likely to have its hands full in connection with an expedition that is being despatched against Mpefu, a northern chief, who is preparing to make a strong resistance. All the roads and drifts leading northwards are held by armed Kafirs.

UNCLE SAM AND THE INDIANS

Colonel Bacon Not so Badly Roasted.

WALKER, Minn., Oct. 8.—Sounds of conflict have come from Bear Island all day, but people are still in ignorance of the real situation on the battle ground where Gen. Bacon and his men had their encounter with the Pillager Indians Wednesday. Up to an early hour yesterday morning there were many grounds for fearing Gen. Bacon and his command had been annihilated. No direct word has been received from any man who participated in the first battle. Early this morning, however, the firing was resumed and it has continued practically all day. This makes it certain that General Bacon's command is still on earth and in fighting trim. It is now believed that the soldiers are entrenched and in a position to hold out—until reinforcements reach them.

Lieutenant-Colonel Harbach, of the Third Infantry, reached here late yesterday afternoon, and immediately started for Bear Island. It is thirty miles distant, and progress will necessarily be slow. No courier has reached here from Bear Island and it is impossible to learn the result of yesterday's fight. A posse of citizens succeeded in landing on Bear Island, secured the bodies of four of the men killed in Wednesday's battle and brought away nine wounded soldiers. The condition of Bacon's men, even if they are safe from annihilation, must be deplorable. They are ill supplied with overcoats and blankets. They have no tents. Their food supplies were short when they landed, and they were in no shape to stand a long siege.

NEWS NOTES.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has \$500,000 loaned up. When this is shipped the bank will have sent out \$2,300,000 since June 15 last.

Queen Victoria, her daughter the ex-Empress Frederick of Germany, and Princess Adolphe of Schaumburg-Lippe, had a narrow escape while driving at Balmoral, Scotland, on Monday. The horses of Her Majesty's carriage bolted, and the coachman lost control of them, and a serious accident was only averted by the horses turning into the woods, where the carriage struck between the trees. The members of the royal party were severely shaken and much alarmed, but were not injured.

ROBERT BURNS.

(The Toronto Mail, Ontario, Canada.)

Miss Jean Howison, of Perth, Scotland, delivered a lecture on Burns to a large and appreciative audience last night in the Massey Music Hall. Miss Howison handled the subject in a singularly able and entertaining manner. The lecture was not merely a skilful presentation of the facts of the poet's life and work, but a purposeful study and estimate conveying many useful lessons. An enthusiastic admirer of Burns, a student who brought sympathetic insight to bear on his master-pieces, Miss Howison was able to invest her subject with an interest which captured the audience. The many-sidedness of the poet's genius, the universality of his thought, she described with masterly ease; his services to Scottish nationality, and to the Scot's language, his love for the sons of toil and for mankind, she illustrated aptly from his poems, quoting among others from "Man was made to mourn," "To Mary in Heaven," "Epistle to a young friend," "Cotter's Saturday night," and a portion of "Tam O'Shanter." The lecture may be described as a most successful artistic effort, well worthy of the great subject, and of the reputation of the lecturer. Miss Jean Howison lectures at the Opera House on Friday, the 14th.

NEGLECTED.

Stn.—The road from Pisquid Bridge to Fort Augustus has been neglected all summer and complaints being made to our supervisor he bluntly replied that all the money for this district was spent. Still we find him here at this late season with five party kickers piling up stones on the road which does no good in any way and looks as if there might be an election for an Assemblyman for this district near at hand.

The Liberal lights of the grit party in this place claimed that hoodlum would be no more when Hon. D. Fitzgibbon came to be at the head of affairs. If this is not the same party hoodlum it looks very much like it.

If we cannot have roads fairly passable, and what money is spent done in an honest way, I have cast my last vote for the Liberal party.

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Pisquid, Oct 7th, '98.

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