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WOLSELEY ACCUSES LORD LANSDOWNE

Charges in House of Lords That Lansdowne Made a Deliberate Attack on Him to Cover Government's Mistakes.

London, March 15.—Lord Wolseley in the house of lords this evening accused Lord Lansdowne of a premeditated and deliberate attack on him in his recent criticisms of the conduct of the war office and said it was to divert attention from the mistakes of the government. He had repeatedly called attention to the drawbacks in connection with the service but with little effect. He declared he never regarded Lansdowne as tenable but admitted he had underestimated the fighting ability

of the Boers. He concluded by moving for all papers referring to Lansdowne's allegations. Lansdowne replying said that some of Wolseley's suggestions in 1899 were adopted but others called for such ostentatious display of war preparations that they were incompatible with the policy of the government, which at that time aimed at peace. Ex-Premier Rosebery said the discussion was most painful. He considered both Wolseley and Lansdowne wrong. Wolseley's motion was rejected.

OPERATORS MUST CONFER

Such is the Peremptory Order of the Union Miners' Convention.

Strike May Result in Anthracite Region if a Refusal is Returned to Them

Hazleton, March 15.—The failure of the mine operators to appear at the miners' convention today evidently nettled the men, for at the conclusion of today's session telegrams were sent to presidents of nine coal carrying roads demanding that the anthracite operators meet the delegates in joint conference tomorrow for the purpose of discussing the wage scale. The telegrams were signed by Mitchell and Secretary Gallagher and were sent in accordance with a resolution unanimously adopted by the convention today. Whether or not the failure to comply will be followed by a strike is problematical. It is understood the "outrage" or radical element are clamoring for a strike, while the conservative element led by Mitchell favor a less drastic course. When Mitchell was asked what would be the result of the operators' not complying with the request for a joint conference he replied evasively. The convention at today's session has had done practically nothing of general interest.

FAMINES HAVE REDUCED INDIA'S POPULATION

Unexpected Revelations of the Census Just Completed.

Calcutta, March 15.—Complete census returns give the population of India as 294,000,000, an increase in the last decade of 7,000,000. Deducting the population of the Baluchistan, Shashtake, Chin Hills and Sikkim territory, numbered for the first time a net increase is shown of only 1.4 per cent., which is due to the improved census methods. Thus, the population is for the first time stationary. Owing to two famines, mortality from disease and a great decline in the birth rate, the states show excessive declines. These results were quite unexpected.

LONDON TIMES PUBLISHED "CONFIDENTIAL" STATEMENT

House of Commons Will Take Steps to Discipline It.

London, March 15.—In the house of commons today the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks Beach, presented the report of the street committee on the civil list with reference to the publication in the London Times of confidential statements on the subject. The report recommends the speaker to take steps, either by the exclusion from the house of the representative of the Times or otherwise as he saw fit to prevent the recurrence of such an offense. The speaker promised to render an early decision in the matter.

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60 PERSONS DIE IN FLAMES

One Man Only Escapes From Burning Turpentine Camp.

Awoke to Find Himself Surrounded by Acres of Five—Supposed Incendiarism.

Mobila, March 15.—News has reached here that a big turpentine camp located in Baldwin county was burned this morning, and sixty people, mostly colored, are supposed to have perished. So far as known only one man escaped. He is so terribly burned he could hardly tell his story. His name is Frank Pressler, a white employer in the camp. He says all hands were quartered in a long frame building, which burned like tinder.

Pressler was awakened by the intense heat and cackling of the timbers around him. The room in which he had slept was filled with dense smoke and he owes his escape to the fact that he was near the door. When he got out he shouted to the other inmates but heard no replies. He didn't have much time because the timber all around was burning and he realized that his only safety lay in reaching a nearby swamp. He says he had to make his way through a sheet of flames before reaching the swamp and because of this received frightful burns, from which he is suffering.

When Pressler reached the swamp he lay down in a pool of water and fainted. Subsequently he secured a canoe and crossed the bay to this city. He is positive most of the workers in the camp were burned.

He thinks three negroes who were expelled from the camp yesterday set fire to the woods.

MILITARY DESERTERS COMMIT DEPREDATIONS

Making Trouble Between Peking and Tien Tsin.

Pekin, March 15.—It is reported that a large band of military deserters of different nationalities are committing depredations between Peking and Tien Tsin. A small squad of Germans encountered the band and were compelled to retire. British cavalry have been dispatched to disperse the marauders.

WILL J. J. JOHNSON SUCCEED ATTORNEY GENERAL CRIGGS

Philadelphia, March 15.—A report is in circulation in this city that John J. Johnson, a leading member of the Philadelphia bar, and one of the most prominent lawyers in this country, has been offered the portfolio of attorney general in McKinley's cabinet to succeed Attorney General Criggs.

When asked today if he had been offered the attorney generalship Johnson said: "I refuse either to confirm or deny the report."

Johnson is a staunch republican, but has never taken an active part in politics.

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PREPARATIONS FOR FUNERAL

Military Will Escort Gen. Harrison's Body to Capitol Today.

Numerous Arrivals of Relatives and Friends at Indianapolis.

CABINET ASSOCIATES HONORARY PALL-BEARERS

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY WILL BE GUEST OF GOV. DURBIN WHILE ATTENDING OBEQUITES ON SUNDAY.

Indianapolis, March 15.—Arrangements for the military display tomorrow have been completed, and before daylight the troops of the Indiana National Guard, all of which have been called out, will begin to arrive. All will be here at 10 o'clock and at 11 o'clock will escort the body from the Harrison home to the state house, where it will lie in state until Saturday night.

The funeral services Sunday will be in charge of the family and will be unostentatious.

Senator Fairbanks is here and Senator Beveridge will arrive tonight. Nearly all the Indiana congressmen will be here and distinguished men from all over the country will come.

The business houses of the city are today draped in mourning, the suggestion for this mark of respect having been made by the Merchants' association and Mayor Taggart. All flags remain at half mast. From noon until 2 o'clock tomorrow business will be discontinued.

John W. Foster, who was secretary of state in Gen. Harrison's cabinet, telegraphed Mrs. Harrison today from California that it would be impossible for him to reach the city in time for the funeral. It had been hoped that he would be able to come and officiate as one of the honorary pallbearers. Senator S. B. Elkins, who was secretary of war under Harrison's administration, also telegraphed today that on account of Mrs. Elkins' illness he may not be able to come for the funeral. He was also expected to be one of the honorary pallbearers.

All of the Harrison family and relatives who will be here for the funeral have now arrived, with the exception of Lieut.-Commander John F. Parker, and Mrs. Parker, who are en route from California and will reach this city some time tomorrow afternoon or evening. Mrs. Parker is a sister of Mrs. Harrison, and during their stay in the city the Parkers will be entertained at the Harrison home. Those now here are: Col. Russell B. Harrison, the general's son, Mrs. Harrison and their son, William Henry Harrison; Mrs. Mary Harrison McKee, the general's daughter; John Scott Harrison, the general's brother; Carter B. Harrison, second brother; Mrs. Anna Morris one of the general's sisters, and Mrs. Betty E. Eaton, another sister.

All of the members of Gen. Harrison's cabinet who can attend the funeral will be asked to officiate as honorary pallbearers, and all who can be there will accept the honor. Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy of New York, ex-secretary of the navy; ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles Foster; ex-Postmaster General John G. Wammamaker of Philadelphia, and ex-Secretary of the Interior Gen. John W. Noble of St. Louis, have sent word that they will be here for the funeral, and they, together with ex-Attorney General W. H. H. Miller of this city will constitute part of the honorary pallbearers.

President McKinley will arrive Sunday and will be the guest of Gov. Durbin.

Judge Judson Harmon of Cincinnati, who was attorney general under President Cleveland, will be here for the funeral but it is not known if he will be one of the pallbearers.

The active pallbearers will be all

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TODAY'S GAZETTE.

FIRST PAGE: England and Russia near a Conflict. Preparations for Gen. Harrison's Funeral. Terrible Fatality in Turpentine Camp. Miners Threaten Strike.

SECOND PAGE: The Markets by Telegraph. People's Column (Went Advt's.) State News Items.

THIRD PAGE: Miscellaneous.

FOURTH PAGE: Editorial. City Personals. Topics of this town. Maryland Distractioning Bill. District Attorney Bernard writes of Legislature.

FIFTH PAGE: Fatal Fire in Newspaper Office. French Duels. Local and Telegraphic News. Major W. W. Martin's Defalcation. House at Raleigh adjourns till April 3.

SIXTH AND SEVENTH PAGES: Miscellaneous.

EIGHTH PAGE: City News.

Indianapolis men, who were intimate friends of the general.

DRAPING THE CHURCH BUILDING
Indianapolis, March 15.—The work of draping and decorating the First Presbyterian church at the southwest corner of Pennsylvania and Ohio streets, where the funeral of Gen. Harrison will be held, will be completed tomorrow afternoon. A twenty-five foot flag will be draped over the arch of the Pennsylvania street doors and pilasters and door castings will be covered with black, with a slight touch of white, the effect of a second arch being given.

Inside the church the east wall, where the entrance is, will be draped with heavy festoons of black, hanging from the lower line of the balcony, and French cascades with a touch here and there of white. The balcony will be draped from the heavy beams on the north and south walls will be treated in the same manner, and heavy black festoons and French cascades will be draped from the heavy beams on the wall which descend from the supports of the roof, thus concealing much of the lower part of the six windows. Over the two small doors in the west end of the church there will be festoons of black with a bit of white. In the same end of the church over the organ pipes and nearly concealing the entire organ will be heavy black drappings, and over this black will be two immense flags.

TENNESSEE'S TRIBUTE

Nashville, Tenn., March 15.—A resolution in regard to ex-President Harrison was introduced in the house today by Representative Gordon, democrat, and was unanimously adopted, by a suspension of the rules.

The resolution says the country has lost an able statesman, a profound thinker, a pure patriot, and a great man, whose life and character and deeds have added lustre to the name of American citizenship throughout the world.

BRITONS AND RUSSIANS NIGH TO A CONFLICT

Tien Tsin, March 15.—The British and Russians are disputing over the limits of railway property in the Russian concession; and the guards of the two nations are in close proximity to each other. The British have been strongly reinforced, and trouble is imminent unless the Russians retire.

Pekin, March 15.—The Anglo-Russian dispute over the limits of the Peking railway property in the Russian concession at Tien Tsin becomes more acute. The rival guards are in close proximity. The British have been reinforced. A company of the Hong Kong regiment with fixed bayonets are in front and two companies of the Madras pioneers are held in reserve. The Russians are now entrenching in the disputed territory. They object to the British laying a railway siding, saying it will interfere with the road they intend to make. Both sides are awaiting instructions from their governments.

SAFE BLOWERS ROB A MISSISSIPPI BANK

Memphis, March 15.—The bank of Hernando at Hernando, Miss., was burglarized early this morning by four men who immediately afterward boarded a train and escaped to the Tallahassee river bottoms. They blew open the safe and secured \$800 in cash. There is no clue to the identity of the robbers. Officers are at work on the case.

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STILL FIGHTING THE BURGHERS

Kitchener Sends News But Nothing as to Botha's Surrender

French Kills and Captures Many Boers and Supplies.

DE WET CONTINUES NORTHWARD MARCH

NEARING A DISTRICT WHERE HE IS LIKELY TO RECEIVE CONSIDERABLE REINFORCEMENTS—DELAITS CAUSED BY WET WEATHER.

London, March 15.—A despatch from Lord Kitchener, issued this morning, is so studiously silent upon the subject of peace negotiations that it leads to the conclusion that nothing has been as yet accomplished of sufficient importance to justify a reason for the view that the war is over. Nor do General French's movements indicate a cessation of hostilities, although, possibly, as no date is given, his captures were made previous to the grant of armistice.

Lord Kitchener's despatch, which is dated Pretoria, last evening, reports as follows:

"General DeWet has reached Senekal on his northward progress. "French, in addition to his previous successes, reports 46 Boers killed or wounded, 146 taken prisoners and surrendered, with 200 rifles, 3700 rounds of ammunition, 2400 horses, 2500 cattle and 400 wagons and carts, besides mules and trap oxen."

"Methuen has arrived at Warrenton from Klerksdorp, bringing in prisoners and a cattle."

"The weather is wet, delaying the movements of our columns."

Though he has only a small following, DeWet is nearing a district where he is likely to receive considerable help, and probably intends to pick up roving bands of republicans who are ever present in the Dornberg and Korannaberg districts.

General French, the despatch adds, has been detained by swollen drifts in the Pieterit district, but is now able to move again.

A despatch from Cape town reports that Schaeper's and Miln's commandoes have turned southward, and are now within forty miles of Willowmoore and that troops are following them.

INSURGENT GEN. TRIAS SAYS DOWN HIS ARMS

Manila, March 15.—General Trias and staff surrendered today at Santa Cruse De Malaban and took the oath of allegiance. His troops are marching to San Francisco De Malaban where they will formally surrender.

DUCAL PARTY TO MAKE TOUR OF THE GLOBE

London, March 15.—The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York started this afternoon on the first stage of their tour of the four quarters of the globe. King Edward, Queen Alexandra and other members of the royal family accompanied the travellers to Portsmouth, when the steamer Opal, with the duke and duchess on board, will sail tomorrow.

The departure of the king and queen from Marlborough house was accompanied by a semi-state ceremonial. His majesty was in full naval uniform and the carriage was escorted by a detachment of Life Guards. Small gatherings along the route cheered the royal personages.

RECIPROCITY TREATIES

Washington, March 15.—Protocols were signed in the state department today by Lord Pauncefote and Secretary Hay extending the time for the ratification of four of the West India reciprocity treaties, namely, Jamaica, Bermuda, Guiana and Turks and Caicos Islands. The extension is one year from tomorrow.