

MAY LOSE A COLONY.

Newfoundland Feels Hurt at British Inattention.

OFFICIALS IGNORED BY CHAMBERLAIN

No Answer From Imperial Government to Dispatches Sent Many Months Ago—A Crisis Now Seems Imminent.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—According to dispatches published today by The Daily Mail, a crisis is imminent in Newfoundland unless the British government pays more attention to the demands of the colony than has hitherto been the case.

A long special from St. John's says: "Since Mr. Bond, the Newfoundland premier, left England last April he has not received a single word from the imperial government regarding a settlement of the French shore question, nor has Mr. Chamberlain ever answered the dispatch from the Newfoundland government sent five months ago urging the imperial authorities to persuade Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Dominion premier, to agree to a ratification of the Bond-Blaine convention."

The dispatch gives details of the recent Bond-Laurier conference and asserts that the Dominion premier based his refusal to agree to ratification on the ground that the joint high commission had discussed the matter and that, all being well, the commission would discuss it again.

In an editorial taking the government severely to task The Daily Mail says:

"Assuredly this is not the way in which to treat a loyal colony. It is not business, and it is not courtesy. Can it be that the absentminded methods of our war office have affected the great department of state which Mr. Chamberlain has hitherto controlled so well?"

"The colony has been exasperated in the past by the disdainful carelessness with which its interests have been treated by the predecessors of Mr. Chamberlain, and its temper is likely to be strained if it should believe that, after so many sacrifices, it is being neglected. In such a frame of mind a conflict with the French on the Newfoundland treaty shore could be only too probable, with consequences that can scarcely be foreseen."

The Big Dock En Route.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 16.—The immense floating drydock built by the Maryland Steel company for the United States government has started on its journey to Algiers, La. It is expected the trip will occupy about a month. The dock is being towed by the steamship Orion, three cables, each 1,200 feet long, being used. The dock, said to be the largest of its kind in the world, is 525 feet long and 125 feet wide. Its sides rise about fifty feet above the surface of the water. Over 13,000,000 pounds of steel were used in its construction. It cost \$810,000.

Bank Employees Rewarded.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The employees of the National Broadway bank and the Broadway Savings Institution are \$20,000 richer than they were yesterday. After fifty-three years of service in the bank Francis A. Palmer, president of the bank, retired, and after addressing the employees of both concerns he distributed among them \$20,000 in cash. Each of the beneficiaries received a sum of money in accordance to the length of time he had been in service. Some of the older employees found that their shares amounted to \$3,000.

The Havana Indictments.

HAVANA, Oct. 16.—The indictments in the Havana postoffice fraud cases sent by the fiscal to the audiencia implicating E. G. Rathbone jointly with C. F. W. Neely and W. H. Reeves in defrauding the government, his complicity being based on the contention that he permitted—and therefore consented to and tacitly authorized—the fraudulent transactions. The whole amount of the steal on all counts in the indictments is estimated at \$150,000.

Peter Sterling Won at Lexington.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 16.—Peter Sterling won the \$10,000 Louisville prize without a touch of the whip and held his seat like a piece of superb machinery. The winner of last Tuesday's \$16,000 Fairbury passed under the wire first in each heat with a length to spare. Royal Coat led him to the stretch in the first heat and finished second, with Hawthorne third.

A Powerful Beacon.

HIGHLAND LIGHT, Mass., Oct. 11.—The change of Highland light from a fixed to a flash light has been accomplished, and last night the lamp was lighted for the first time in the permanent tower. It makes a very powerful beacon and sustains the highest candle power of any oil burning light in the world.

A Reservoir Burst.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., Oct. 14.—A large reservoir, containing 10,000,000 gallons of water, burst yesterday and caused great damage. No lives were lost, but a score of people had narrow escapes. The money loss will reach probably \$150,000.

Their Last Official Act.

PEKING, Oct. 14.—The Chinese plenipotentiaries have performed their last official act and forwarded to the Spanish minister, who is the doyen of the diplomatic corps, a bond for the indemnity of 450,000,000 taels.

Descendant of Franklin Dead.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 14.—Mrs. E. D. Gillespie, a great-granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin and one of the city's most prominent women, is dead at her home here, aged eighty years.

MARRIAGE QUESTION SETTLED.

Episcopal Church Rejects Proposed Canon With Regard to Divorcees. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—The troublesome question of marriage and divorce has been set at rest for another three years by the action of the house of deputies of the triennial Episcopal convention in rejecting both of the proposed canons on the subject which were passed by the house of bishops. The greatest fight of the convention has been over section 4 of canon 36 virtually forbidding the remarriage of a divorced person by a priest of the church. This had passed the house of bishops and been adopted by a yeas and nays vote in committee of the whole by the house of deputies.

When the committee rose and reported its work to the house, a decisive vote was taken, not only on the troublesome fourth section, but on the entire canon, which was rejected as a whole. Canon 37, which provides for the disciplining of persons marrying again after being divorced, met with a similar fate.

The house of deputies passed an amendment to article 10 of the constitution permitting modified forms of worship which in spirit is similar to the famous Huntington amendment recently defeated. The amendment, though credited to Dr. McKim of Washington, was in reality presented to the convention of three years ago by Dr. Huntington.

The bishops have yet to act before the amendment can become part of the constitution.

Both houses appointed members of a standing committee on capital and labor which is to investigate the subject with a view to the peaceful settlement of disagreements between employers and workmen and report to each general convention.

DUKE OF ALBA DEAD.

Noted Spanish Grandee Came to America to See Yacht Races.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The Duke de Alba, one of the highest grandees of Spain, is dead in this city from influenza.

The duke came to this city Sept. 21 to witness the international yacht races as the guest of Sir Thomas Lipton. On the day of the last race he contracted a severe cold, which developed into a case of influenza. His condition improved greatly during the past few days, and up to within a few moments of his death he was entertaining a party of friends. Shortly after the party had left the duke complained to his valet of severe pains in the region of his heart. He was assisted to his couch and medical aid hastily summoned, but before the physicians had arrived the duke expired.

The Duke of Alba, or Alva, as it is sometimes spelled, was fifty-three years old. In social and titular rank he was the leader of Spanish society. He was fourteen times a count, nine times a grandee of the first class and twelve times a marquis. His estate was the most extensive private property in Spain, and his palace at Madrid for many years had been the center of social gaiety. Much of his time had been spent, however, in London. The duke was well known in this country, where he had been a frequent visitor. He was a spectator of the America's cup races in 1893 and spent the season of 1894 at Newport.

LETTER FROM PAT CROWE.

Man Accused of Cudahy Kidnaping Offers to Surrender. OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 14.—Chief of Police John J. Donahue has received a letter from Pat Crowe naming the terms on which he will surrender. The letter came in care of an Omaha newspaper, in which it is published, and covers fifteen closely written pages of manuscript. The postmark is illegible, but the letter was mailed at 8 o'clock in the morning and reached this city at 8 o'clock in the evening of the same day, indicating that it had not traveled a long distance. In the letter Crowe agrees to give himself up at once and stand trial for the kidnaping of Eddie Cudahy provided he shall not be locked up until a jury shall adjudge him guilty. He says he is unable to furnish bond in excess of \$500 and demands that bail be fixed in that sum.

The letter then states that the chief would not know him, that he weighs 200 pounds and is looking fine. He says he has been in South America and Africa, fighting with the Boers, and expresses his disgust with Great Britain and his sympathy for the Boers. He closes the main part of his letter by saying he regrets that Mr. Cudahy should suspect him of kidnaping the boy and hoping soon to receive a reply from the chief, which he directs should be made through a local paper.

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The Duke of Westminster, a two-year-old colt, sold in England for \$105,000.

A rumor of the capture of General Botha was current on the London Stock Exchange.

The Farmers and Citizens' bank of Tiro, O., was robbed by six men, who kept people at bay with rifles.

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Different Points of View. Irate Patron—I thought this railroad was for the benefit of the public. Railroad Official—You're away off. The public is for the benefit of the railroad.—N. Y. Weekly.

Changed Places. "Is your poor aunt consolable yet for the loss of her first husband?" "Oh, yes! But now her second husband is unconsolable over it."—Fliegende Blaetter.

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