

EATS GROW TWICE

British Cabinet Backs Down on Two Questions.

YIELDS TO NATAL'S DEMAND

Allows Colony to Do What She Will With Natives and Backs Down to Labor Party on Immunity Bill.

LONDON, March 31.—The storm aroused by the Natal affair has in no way subsided. The newspapers this morning are full of dispatches from the colonies, protesting against the action of the Colonial Secretary, Lord Elgin, each sympathizing with the Natal government, and promising even connected with the colonies who have been interviewed all deprecate what they term the government's hasty and ill-considered action.

Many Liberal members of the House of Commons are greatly dissatisfied with the government's course, some of them contending that it should not have interfered and others that it should not have yielded to the Natal government without better justification.

Laborites Will Move Censure. The Labor members of the House of Commons intend on Monday to move an adjournment to call attention to the drastic methods in the administration of martial law in Natal.

The Conservative newspapers make the most of the government's double surrender yesterday—the Laborites over the trades disputes bill and in the Natal trouble, while the general opinion seems to be that Lord Elgin's reputation as a statesman has suffered greatly.

Lord Elgin's dispatch to the Governor of Natal expresses satisfaction with the Governor's statement that steps were taken to examine the evidence and establish the guilt of each individual prisoner. The dispatch says: "Elgin's Masterly Retreat. His Majesty's government never had any intention to interfere with the government of Natal or to control the Governor in the exercise of his prerogative, but in view of the presence of British troops in the colony the imperial government was in duty bound to obtain precise information with reference to martial-law cases with regard to which an act of indemnity must ultimately be assented to by the crown in the right of the information now furnished, his Majesty's government recognizes that the decision of his grave matter rests in the hands of your ministers and yourself."

Lord Elgin concludes with an expression of regret that detailed information was not given earlier.

SURRENDERS TO LABOR PARTY. British Premier Agrees to Complete Immunity for Unions.

LONDON, March 30.—The government has surrendered to the Labor party on the trades disputes bill and Premier Campbell-Bannerman himself said in the House today that he would support the bill, introduced by the Labor party in opposition to the government proposals. He advised the House to accept the bill of the Labor party, which came up for a second reading.

After some opposition and twitting of the government for its "cowardly surrender to the clamor of the Labor party," the bill passed its second reading by 496 to 46 votes. It provides complete immunity for trade-union funds, the clause relating thereto reading: "No action shall be brought against a trade-union or other association aforesaid for the recovery of damages sustained by any person or persons by reason of the action of any member or members of such trade-union or other association."

Otherwise, the bill is practically a duplicate of the government measure. The Premier explained that the object of the government was "to place the rival powers of capital and labor on an equality, so that in the event of a fight it should be a fair one." He thought that the great mass of opinion recognized the beneficial effect of trade unions, especially on the prevention of conflicts. The present situation was created by a judge-made law, which defeated the intentions of Parliament.

GOVERNMENT BACKS DOWN. Leaves Natal Free to Dispose of Native Murderers.

LONDON, March 31.—(Special.)—Following a discussion of the Natal incident by the Cabinet to determine the policy to be pursued, Lord Elgin, Colonial Secretary, in the House of Lords Friday, declared that he is satisfied as to the guilt of the natives condemned to death in Natal, and has notified the authorities in Natal that the government has no intention of interfering with the case. The decision as to what shall be done with the prisoners will be left entirely to the Natal authorities.

This statement indicates a determination on the part of the government to back down from the position assumed Thursday.

TURKEY GIVES UP STRUGGLE. Withdraws Troops From Akabah at Demand of Britain.

LONDON, March 31.—The correspondent at Cairo of the Daily Telegraph reports that Turkey has begun withdrawal of troops from the district of Akabah. The controversy over this territory has been more or less acute for three months.

Discredit Weather Prophet Moore. LONDON, March 30.—(Special.)—The possibility of forecasting the weather a month in advance, which is predicted by Professor Moore, of Washington, is scoffed at the meteorological office here, John Christie told a reporter of the Westminster Gazette today that the attitude of observers in this country was one of polite doubt, and possibly Professor Moore had been badly reported.

Butchers Favor High Meat Duty. BERLIN, March 30.—The Butchers' Association has petitioned Chancellor von Buelow and Minister of Agriculture von Podbielski against any relaxation of the present regulations governing meat inspection or any further reduction of duty on meat and fat during the negotiations for a commercial treaty with the United States.

Has Robbed Bank Many Years. NEW YORK, March 30.—Joseph A. Turner, note taker at the National Bank of America, was arrested and arraigned in Police Court today on a charge of stealing \$20,000. The alleged peculations, it is charged, have been going on for 25 years. Officials of the bank appeared in court to press the complaint. Cashier Wire, of the bank, said that \$25,000 of the amount

Where We Stand On Franchises

We, the undersigned candidates for the Republican nomination for the Legislature, desire to state that we want it distinctly understood that the second article of our platform, which reads as follows:

"Second—For granting municipalities the right to regulate and control all public utilities, such as gas, electric lighting and power, telegraph and telephone, street railways, railroads, etc."

Should be construed to mean that we consider ourselves bound to vote for a law or laws revoking all perpetual franchises, and all other franchises not paying a revenue, and empowering municipalities to place all franchises on an equal basis.

And, further, we and each of us shall consider ourselves pledged to support and vote for that particular measure, embracing these subjects, and designed to accomplish these ends, that the Multnomah County delegation by a majority vote shall decide upon.

We propose to make this the main issue in the coming primaries.

- J. W. BEVERIDGE, F. S. FREEMAN, C. N. DEUTGEN, C. D. M'ARTHUR, CHARLES CLEVELAND, C. J. LITTLEPAGE, R. E. L. SIMMONS, DAVE B. MACKIE, T. J. MONAHAN, ROBERT W. WILSON, S. C. BEACH, A. A. BAILEY, E. B. COLWELL, R. S. FARRELL, H. CLAUSSENIUS, JR., HARVEY CROSS, S. H. GRUBER, ALBERT FERRERA, H. M. BUSH, P. A. M'PHERSON, L. M. DAVIS.

BRIEF TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Chicago.—Speakers at the 49th annual banquet of the Chicago Real Estate Board Thursday night urged the abolition of personal property tax. New Haven, Conn.—About \$50,000 already has been raised for the new professorship of lumbering in the Yale Forestry School out of the \$100,000 which is sought as an endowment. Chicago.—A medical settlement in one of the most congested districts of the West side is the latest venture in Chicago philanthropy, under the auspices of the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute. Cleveland.—The Standard Oil Company Friday again advanced the price of all grades of gasoline and naphtha, the new quotations ranging from 1/4 to 1/2 cent per gallon higher than former prices.

Cartier, Pa.—The wedding of Wilson Christie, a famous Indian athlete, and Elizabeth Knudsen, a beautiful Klamath Indian maiden from Oregon, was celebrated with imposing military ceremony before 1600 guests Thursday evening.

New York.—The Society of American Artists has decided to celebrate the merger of the society and the National Academy of Design by raising about \$300,000 for a united fine arts exhibition to house the artists and societies represented in the fine arts federation.

Chicago.—Henry Berger, a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, on Friday applied to the United States Circuit Court for an injunction restraining the Board of Trade from adopting the resolution designed to prevent members from dealing on the exchange of other cities in grain or commodities.

Chicago.—Agitation for a uniform classification of freight for the whole United States four classifications in use in different parts of the country, which differ widely in the matter of rates which apply to the same articles, and this difference is the cause of a great deal of trouble and annoyance to both shippers and railroads.

Chicago.—Policeman John Keane Friday night risked his life to save Francis Moore, 9 years old, from being crushed to death under the wheels of a special train on the tracks of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. The little boy was standing in the middle of the tracks when a train approached. Keane sprang in front of the train, caught the girl up in his arms and ran across the track with her as the engine rushed by, scraping his face and shoulder.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Wife of Dr. Pearsons. HINDELA, Ill., March 30.—Mrs. Marietta Chupin Pearsons, wife of Dr. Pearsons, who has given millions of dollars to aid small colleges, died at her home here today. She was born in Springfield, Mass. in 1818, and was married to Dr. Pearsons in 1847. She was especially interested in foreign missionary work.

Georgia Wells, Actress. NEW YORK, March 30.—Georgia Wells, an actress who has been playing the leading feminine role of "The Clansman," died today after a surgical operation for appendicitis.

Captain Robert Fields, Salvationist. DETROIT, Mich., March 30.—Staff Captain Robert Fields, of the Salvation Army, died here last night of heart disease. He was 44 years old, and before coming to Detroit two months ago was located in San Francisco and in Chicago.

Isaac T. Smith, Consul of Stam. NEW YORK, March 30.—Isaac Townsend Smith, the oldest member of the Union League Club and Consul-General of Stam, died here today, aged 95 years.

Those unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and dyspepsia should use Carter's Little Liver Pills, made expres-

PORTLAND'S LEADING CARPET STORE, 4TH FLOOR In This Store All Goods Bought on Credit Accounts Today Will Be Charged on April Bills

Store Opens at 8 A. M. A Mighty Congress of Surpassing Specialty Shops. A Unique Group of Style and Quality Expositions. Store Closes at 6 P. M. 5th, 6th and Washington Streets

"Made in Oregon" May 19-26 Inclusive A World Exhibit of Oregon Made Goods

QUICKS, WORTMAN & KING OF SPECIAL SATURDAY VALUES CAREFULLY COMPILED FOR BUSY READERS Your busy day, Mrs. Housewife—and the Store's. Little time to read long stories—or to write 'em. Here's a "Read-and-Run" catalogue and directory combined, which, if you'll use, will save you time, worry and money in the close-of-the-week shopping.

A Royal Value in Wash Stuffs (First Floor.) SPECIAL SALE OF LINGERIE WAISTING AT 17c YARD. Lingerie Waistings, white, soft, finely woven, highly merized, for making dainty lingerie Shirtsuits. Special at the yard, 17c

Portland's Foremost and Largest Apparel Salons FOR "WOMEN WHO CARE" Offer Greatest Variety and Best Values in Spring Attire Of all the various classes of garments, we have literally thousands of different, distinct styles, from the foremost creators of fashionable garb for women in Europe and America.

Decorative Homefittings Couch Covers and Lace Curtains in the Sale (Fourth Floor—Home-Fitters' Exchange.) \$7.50 COUCH-COVERS, \$4.25. Heavy Tapestry Couch Covers, in Oriental designs, size 48x72 inches, regular \$12.50. Special, each \$7.50

FREE! Steel Range Tops Given Away! In order to advertise the "Quick Meal" Steel Range and increase their output, we will give absolutely FREE with every "Quick Meal" Range sold, a polished top. This Range is the most economical user of fuel on the market.

A "Man's Resort" Will apply aptly to the Haberdasherie today. A host of smart new things in correct togethery for Spring, and a number of special values. Among others these two—

Men's 20c Hosiery 12 1/2c (Sixth-Street Annex—First Floor.) A line of men's fancy seamless Cotton Hose, in dots, embroidered effects, black and white checks and tan; best 20c value. Special, the pair \$12 1/2c

Men's \$1.50 Golf Shirts 99c The newest thing in men's Golf Shirts, large plaid effects, in tan, blue and gray, with white collar and cuffs; regular value \$1.50. Special, each \$99c

Kitchen Needs for Less (Third Floor.) Pie Plates, regular value \$1.50. Special, dozen \$1.15 Tea Plates, regular value \$1.75. Special, dozen \$1.30

Gardeners! A Word With You! New Life for Plants! A Tonic for Lawns—"Bonora," 50c We've secured the sole selling agency for Portland of this wonderful "New Life of Nature." "Bonora" is used and recommended by the head gardeners of the White House grounds at Washington and noted landscape gardeners in the employ of the Government.

Direct News From Chief Cities to Chinese Merchants in America. Building of Railroad Wins Back the People.

Progressive Chinese Quickly Overcome Prejudice. OPENLY DEFY VICEROYS

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Conclusion of This Sale of Silks and Suitings for Easter Gowns

(Fifth-Street Annex—First Floor.) A convention of really worth-while, stirring values in smart and seasonable stuffs needed now by every woman with a gown to be made for Spring or Easter wear.

White Jap Silks 27 inches wide, our 75c value. Special at the yard \$63c 27 inches wide, our \$1.00 value. Special at the yard \$76c 27 inches wide, our \$1.25 value. Special at the yard \$94c

Economy Sale of Handsome Black Dress Goods \$1.19 for \$1.50 Black Dress Goods A fine showing of Black Dress Goods, in all the latest styles, such as Voiles, Crepe de Paris, Panamas, Herculites, Batistes, Poplins, Serges, Armures, etc. A sale which affords an opportunity of which you should not fail to take advantage. All our \$1.50 values. Special for Saturday at the yard \$1.19

Colored English Mohairs Specially Priced for Saturday's Selling. These English Mohairs are here in an up-to-date color assortment, cream and white included— Our \$1.30 value—Special at the yard \$79c Our \$1.25 value—Special at the yard \$98c Our \$1.50 value—Special at the yard \$1.19 Our \$1.75 value—Special at the yard \$1.42 Our \$2.00 value—Special at the yard \$1.63

Another Arrival Pond's Extract Soap (First Floor—Toilet Sundries.) Another shipment came in yesterday. A splendid toilet, medicinal and complexion soap, 5c cake \$25c

Women's Kerchief Bargains (First Floor.) A \$2.00 Box of Six for \$1.25 All-linen sheer Handkerchiefs, beautifully embroidered in smart and seasonable stuffs, very handsomely made box; regular value \$2.00. Special, box of 6 \$1.25

Women's Petticoats Second-Floor Annex. Women's White Petticoats of fine cambric or nainsook, made with deep flounces with hemstitched tucks and trimmed with lace or embroidery insertion and edgings— Our \$1.50 value, special at each \$97c Our \$1.75 value, special at each \$1.19 Our \$2.25 value, special at each \$1.59 Our \$2.75 value, special at each \$1.87 Our \$3.50 value, special at each \$2.18 Our \$3.75 value, special at each \$2.53 Our \$4.75 value, special at each \$3.34

Women's \$1.25 Silk Vests, 80c. White Vega Silk Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Swiss ribbed, very elastic, neatly trimmed; regular value \$1.25. Special, each \$80c

Women's \$1.50 Silk Tights, 1.00c. White Swiss Ribbed Vega Silk Tights, knee length, lace trimmed at knee; regular value \$1.50. Special, each \$1.00

Women's 35c Vests, 27c. White Lisle Vests, ribbon shoulder piece, lace yoke, plain crochet trimmed; regular value 35c. Special, each \$27c

Women's 50c Hose, 30c. White Cotton Vests, neatly trimmed, high neck, long sleeves; regular value 50c. Special, each \$30c

Women's 75c Hose, 50c. Imported Black Lisle Hose, lace boot, embroidered with assorted shades of embroidery; regular value 75c. Special, the pair \$50c

Women's 80c Hose, 50c. Imported White Lace Lisle Hose, assorted patterns; regular value 80c. Special, the pair \$50c

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