

Dewey's Call on an American Girl.

SCOFFS AT LAURIER'S WAIL.

"Arbitration or War" Over Alaskan Boundary Causes No Fear.

THERE MAY BE NEITHER.

Refusal of Our Proposition to Arbitrate Is Now Re-membered.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's definition of the Alaskan boundary situation—"Arbitration or war"—is accepted by the United States as the wall of a diplomat disappointed.

Chagrined at the non-success of plans shrewdly laid to grab American territory and provoked over the apparent intention of Great Britain, as disclosed in the recent moves of Lord Salisbury, to agree to the modus vivendi suggested by Secretary Hay, Sir Wilfrid takes a pessimistic view.

To his terse summing up, "Arbitration or war," the Administration makes reply, unofficially, but by the card: "Correct, Sir Wilfrid."

Arbitration? Yes, by all means. But on the lines suggested by this country, is the contention; not on those advanced by Canada and endorsed by Great Britain.

The United States has been a year to arbitrate the questions involved in the knotty problem of correct delimitation of the boundary between this country and Canada.

Plan Already Proposed. As an earnest of its sincerity on this point, it asks Canada to hark back to a date comparatively recent, when it proposed to Great Britain the formation of an arbitration tribunal composed of six citizens of this country and six loyal subjects of Queen Victoria.

This country was willing to submit its claims to a board thus constituted. But the answer of Great Britain and Canada to the proposition was a pointblank refusal and the advancement of a suggestion that the United States submit its case on a provisional boundary line to a tribunal where the dominating cards were held by Europe.

Holding itself well within its rights, this country declined to enter a game of chance with the cards stacked against it in advance, or to submit to arbitration a provisional line, and the negotiations for arbitration ended at that point.

Still Willing to Arbitrate. It may be stated authoritatively once more that Great Britain and Canada can get arbitration if they so desire, but it must be along the lines heretofore advanced. Wholly satisfied that it is right and that the position assumed on this proposition is as unassailable as its offer to agree to a modus vivendi that would leave American territory in American possession until the edict of the tribunal was promulgated, the United States will continue to maintain it.

War, if arbitration is refused? Not necessarily so serious an alternative, is the belief of the Admiralty. But war with both Great Britain and Canada if war be absolutely necessary to uphold National Honor and to uphold the integrity of the domain purchased from Russia at a time when no questions of title were in issue.

Laurier's Words Extravagant. The belief is general, however, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier overbore the mark and that his speech will have the effect to hasten the establishment of a modus vivendi between Great Britain and the United States.

The answer of this country to the Laurier speech may thus be stated: 1. Arbitration on the permanent boundary line when Great Britain agrees to the appointment of a tribunal of six or more American citizens and an equal number of subjects of the Crown.

2. No arbitration on a provisional boundary; no modus vivendi which involves surrender of territory occupied continuously by the United States since the purchase of Alaska from Russia.

3. War only if forced into it by the persistent territorial aggression tactics of Canada, backed by Great Britain.

4. The additional threat of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to have adopted legislation to shut all American miners out of the Yukon will be met, if it should assume concrete shape, by commercial retaliation that would be more than a measure of loss it may sustain in the gold fields.

Pending developments following Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech the State Department will pursue a consistent course and insist that either temporary or permanent settlements be based upon the condition it has heretofore presented.

FILIPINOS NOW IN RELIGIOUS STRIFE.

A Native Priest Declares Himself Vicar General of Luzon.

MANILA, July 23.—A Filipino priest named Gregorio Agripay is with the insurgents trying to lead a movement for the independence of the Church in the Philippines from the Spanish priesthood.

He has issued a proclamation declaring himself Vicar-General of all the Filipino priests in the districts outside of American control on the island of Luzon, and is inciting the priests to disobey the regulations of the Church and brotherhoods. The Archbishop of the district has issued a bull excommunicating Agripay, and this action has increased the feeling between the Filipinos and the Church.

The Archbishop threatened to excommunicate the owners of Spanish papers publishing announcements of Protestant and Masonic meetings, whereupon an American paper warned him that he might be bundled out of the island like any disturber of the peace if he should incite religious animosities.

The Dominican friars have begun the publication of a newspaper under the title of the Liberator for the purpose of defying the brotherhood.

The United States transport Zealandia, which sailed from San Francisco June 24 with four companies of the Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, 150 recruits and a large amount of provisions and supplies for the army on board, has arrived here.

Furnished rooms in every locality to please everybody advertised in the Journal's "Want" Advt. columns this morning. Make your selection from the list.

CANADA Our Retort to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

"A BIT OF A FOOL" MUST KEEP A BIT OF HIS THINGS.

Court of Chancery Decides That Profligate Sir Robert Peel Cannot Sell Any More of His Family Heirlooms.



One Picture That Sir Robert Peel Took to Paris.

Sir Thomas Lawrence's celebrated portrait of Lady Peel, the wife of the great Premier. The degenerate descendant took it from Drayton Manor, with other valuable heirlooms, to be sold at the French capital.

LONDON, July 23.—The Court of Chancery has refused the application of Sir Robert Peel, the scampish nobleman, who wrote his autobiography under the title "A Bit of a Fool," to sell the heirlooms at Drayton Manor in order to obtain money with which to continue his gay career.

If young Peel has any redeeming traits he has carefully kept them in the background. He failed for \$1,500,000 a short time ago, and announced that his assets consisted only of a few pairs of trousers.

He visited the United States once and offered himself as a husband to almost every heiress to whom he was presented. He was mixed up in many scandals. The Baronet raised \$900,000 on his interest in the family estate. Of this amount, \$240,000 was used to pay debts contracted during his boyhood. At the time of his marriage in June, 1807, to a daughter of the Baroness de Grafenfeld, a Swiss, it was supposed that he was solvent.

Young Peel, who is a grandson of the famous statesman who invented the English policeman, sneaked out of Drayton Manor, the family homestead, one night with a trunk of the family paintings, which he took to Paris. He sold some of them to a picture dealer. Legal proceedings were taken to secure their return, but they were not successful. After that Drayton Manor was watched carefully by the other heirs to prevent Peel from embarking any more of the entailed personal effects.

The application of Peel for leave to sell the heirlooms to obtain money for the support of his wife and children, which was resisted by his cousin, Viscount Peel, whose counsel denounced young Peel in the House of Commons, and the theft of the heirlooms and of the injunction issued against Peel to prevent him from stealing any more. He ended by declaring that his

element had the utmost sympathy with the unfortunate Lady Peel and her infant heir, took his position against the sale as a matter of principle.

Young Peel's counsel denounced the opinion to the sale as "discreditable." He said that the plate, books and pictures were worth \$250,000, but produced no income for anybody. They should be put in such form, he declared, that they would feed the Peel family.

The learned Judge, Justice Byrne, showed very little sympathy for Peel. He deferred his decision, but it is now handed down. It refuses permission to sell the heirlooms. It looks as if Peel will have to go to work. Efforts were made last year to punish Peel for contempt. When he removed the heirlooms from Drayton Manor and spirited them off to Paris an order in chancery was issued to the effect that he must return them. On his failure to do so an application was made that he be punished for contempt. He declared that the persons to whom he had disposed of them at very low prices were satisfied with their bargain and would not give them up. At that the court could do was to issue a perpetual injunction against Peel to prevent him from looting the Manor further, and this was done.

Young Peel, soon after having his face publicly slapped in a gambling den in Paris by an American named Martin with out consenting to it, announced that he was going on the stage to retrieve his shattered fortunes. As his fortunes are much more shattered now than they were then it is possible that he may attempt again to join the dramatic profession.

Among the heirlooms which it is presumed young Peel wanted to sell were many relics of his grandfather, the great statesman, and his grandmother, including their portraits and busts by famous artists. The picture galleries at the Manor are famous, and many collectors would like a chance to bid upon the paintings.

The feeling of the country commends the decision of the Court of Chancery. Peel is regarded as a hopeless degenerate who is not entitled to any more money from the estate.

BALLOON "RUNS AWAY" WITH CITY FATHERS.

Aeronaut Fell Out of the Car, and Two Members of the Bradford (England) Council Were Carried Off.

LONDON, July 23.—Two members of the Council of Bradford have just had the unusual experience of being carried away against their will by a balloon some 6,000 feet in the air and a distance of twenty-seven miles.

These men were the guests of the engineer and aeronaut Professor Bramhall, who was to make the initial ascent in a new balloon of 28,000 cubic feet capacity. Immediately after the balloon was cut loose the car to waver farewell, was thrown out of the car and fell into a thick bush in a garden. He was unhurt. The balloon shot upward at rapid rate and everybody feared for the inexperienced man in the car. The men made desperate efforts to come back to earth. The balloon would shoot down and up at tremendous bounds, as the valve ropes were pulled or cut of the ballast was thrown out.

Fifty minutes after the ascent the balloon landed in the corn field of a farm twenty-seven miles away from the starting point.

HIS GRACE OF CANTERBURY ON SMOKING BY CHILDREN.

The Primate Delivered of a Serious Opinion Disapproving Use of Tobacco by Minors.

LONDON, July 23.—The paragraphs are having some fun over the reply of the Archbishop of Canterbury to a correspondent who addressed the primate and other public men asking for suggestions of means to stop smoking by children.

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