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KING EDWARD HAS WRITTEN TO KAISER

Explains to German Ruler that
English Public Disapprove
of the Radical Yellowness of
the London Times.

Berlin, March 10.—A local news
agency to-day declares it has learned
from an unimpeachable authority, that
King Edward has sent a letter to Em-
peror William, couched in the most
cordial and friendly terms, concerning
the revelation by the London Times
of the existence of private correspon-
dence between the Emperor and Lord
Tweddmouth, First Lord of the Ad-
miralty. It has been charged that the
Emperor in his letter attempted to in-
fluence British legislation in the mat-
ter of naval appropriations. Accord-
ing to this agency, King Edward in
his letter takes the viewpoint that the
British Parliament and the public, as
well as an immense majority of the
press of England, sharply disapprove of
the action of the Times.
Continuing, this agency says that the
attempt of the Times to exploit a pri-
vate and non-political exchange of cor-
respondence in a sensational way
caused the British King to write to
Emperor William. The King's action,
it is added, will create the best im-
pression both in Germany and Eng-
land.

TO BEAT GERMAN NAVY AT ANY COST

England Will Lose No Time in
Laying Down More Battle-
ships Should Teuton Pro-
gramme Be Carried Out.

London, March 10.—The comparative
strength of the navies of Great Britain
and Germany—a subject which has al-
ready occupied much discussion in the
present session of Parliament—was
again brought to the front this after-
noon in the House of Commons by the
debate on the naval estimates, and it
drew from Herbert H. Asquith, the ac-
ting Premier, a reassertion of the in-
tegration of the Government to maintain
Great Britain's unassailable supremacy
at sea. Mr. Asquith admitted that if
Germany's present programme of naval
construction was carried out, she
would have thirteen Dreadnoughts and
thirteen battleships by November, 1911, assuming that Great
Britain failed to lay down ships in 1909
to be completed prior to that date.
Without forecasting the naval pro-
gramme for next year, Mr. Asquith said
he could promise without the faintest
hesitation that if the Government found
a reasonable probability of the German
programme being carried out in the
next year, it was its duty to provide

HINDUS GUILTY OF BREAKING NATAL ACT

Magistrate Williams Imposes
Fine of \$500 or Twelve
Months in Jail on Eighteen
Orientals.

Fifteen Hindus who could not comply
with the provisions of the Natal Act,
were this afternoon fined \$500 each, and
in default of payment will have to go
to jail for twelve months. An appeal
will be carried to a higher court by
Mr. F. E. Ross, counsel for the Orien-
tals.
This was the effect of the decision
handed out by Magistrate Williams
this afternoon. Judgment was reserv-
ed from last Thursday. The point on
which the decision hung was whether
or not the test had been properly ap-
plied in that its wording differed
slightly from the wording of section 4
of the act under which the test is
carried out.
The statute provides that the party
desiring entrance to the province shall
speak and write English or some other
European language. The wording of
the test, which the interpreter used was
that "you shall read and speak Eng-
lish or any other white man's tongue
or language." Counsel for Hindus
raised the point that Hindus might not
accept white man's language as mean-
ing a European language.
Three other Hindus who were re-
cently released from quarantine and
could not comply with the act were
also fined \$500 or twelve months in
jail. They too will appeal.

BARECLONA WELCOMED KING ALFONSO TO-DAY

Barcelona, March 10.—King Alfonso,
who left Madrid last night, arrived in
this city this morning. He has taken
up his residence at the home of Gen-
eral Linarez, Captain-General of
Catalonia, where he will stay during
his visit here. He was given a warm
welcome by the people of the city.
There was no disturbance of any kind.
The royal train drew into the sta-
tion at 9 o'clock. Its arrival was an-
nounced by the firing of salutes from
Austrian and Spanish warships in the
harbor. The big square outside the
railroad station was lined with troops
and the civil guards had difficulty in
keeping back the surging crowds.

Declined a Banquet.

A deputation of the local Liberal
organizations waited on Mr. J. A. Mac-
donald, K. C., leader of the Opposition
in the provincial Legislature, at the
Hotel Vancouver to-day, and tendered
him a complimentary banquet during
his stay in this city. Mr. Macdonald
was obliged to decline owing to his
professional engagements in Kootenay.
He thanked his visitors, who expressed
the hope that the affair could be ar-
ranged for a future occasion. Mr.
and Mrs. Macdonald will leave for
Rossland this afternoon.

Reception at Vernon.

That the Salvation Army immigrants
to the Okanagan were well received, is
evidenced by the following

THE lively and spectacular sec-
ond session of the eleventh
Duma, which closed on Satur-
day, was the most strenuous,
one of the most important and cer-
tainly one of the most interesting ses-
sions in a decade.

In thirty-five working days the
House passed sixty bills and yet found
time to fight some of the most re-
markably wordy battles in the leg-
islative history of the Dominion. The
British Columbia Assembly always
could raise more questions on consti-
tutional practice and procedure than
any other provincial House, while at
the same time passing more varied
enactments in a given period. The
Federal House has been in session over
four months and has not passed three
bills.

Victories and Defeats.

Nor in any other provincial Legis-
lature has a Government won, in seven
weeks, so many signal victories, for all
the battles in the seven weeks' war
were begun by the Opposition.
Failing to defeat the Government on
the Oriental motion of censure on
January 24, the courageous foe re-
peatedly stormed the gubernatorial
citadel in a determined effort to offi-
cially behead the appointee of their
own federal friends.

Defeated in this they barked almost
every bill with a flood of criticism and
a battery of obstructive tactics worthy
of an Opposition of twice its numerical
strength. Long live an Opposition
that can so rise and fight against re-
peated defeat.

What Would You Expect?

"This Opposition fights everything,"
said a guest in the press gallery.

"Well, what's an Opposition for?"
mechanically returned his scribbling
host.

After gazing down upon the forty-
two members for a day he passed this
unique criticism upon the 26, 13 and
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"I would call them optimism, pes-
simism and spectacular indifference."

The strenuous nature of the tri-
umphant clash was illustrated by thirteen
divisions within the three liveliest weeks
of the seven, every one of which was
a signal victory for the Government.

A Record, Indeed.

January 24—Opposition's motion of
censure upon the Government for its
Honors' non-assent to the Natal Bill
of last session, defeated by 24 to 15.

January 30—Defeat of the Socialists'
appeal to the House against the
Speaker's ruling out of order of their
resolution to impeach the Lieutenant-
Governor, 25 to 13.

February 4—The defeat, by 23 to 14,
of Oliver's appeal to the House against
the ruling out of order of his more
moderate resolution asking Ottawa to
remove Dunsmuir.

Defeat on the same day, by 23 to 13,
of the Socialist leader's appeal to the
House against the ruling out of his
revised resolution for a federal inves-
tigation and the removal of Duns-
muir.

Still More Victories.

February 5—Defeat, by 27 to 12, of
Macdonald's amendment to the Natal
Bill, "so far as this Legislative Assem-
bly has power to enact the same."

On the same day the Natal Bill
passed, yeas 32, nays 9, pairs Mackay
and Oliver.

February 7—Defeat, by 29 to 8, of
the Socialists' amendment to the
Railway Assessment Bill that the ex-
emption from taxes be granted only
on condition that the lowest wages
paid to unskilled workmen be \$2.50 a
day.

February 11—Defeat, by 22 to 14, of
Henderson's proposal to add to the
same bill an anti-oriental clause in
place of the Government's anti-alien
clause.

On the same day, by the same vote,
defeat of Macdonald's motion dis-
proving of the "exemption" power be-
ing placed in the hands of the Gov-
ernment, the Liberals contending that