Winnipeg, April 13 – Telegraphic communication with Battleford was resumed last Thursday, April 8, and news came of a massacre at Frog Lake on April 2. According to it, the Indians invited Acting Sub-Indian Agent Thomas T. Quinn and others to a conference in their camp, and shot them as soon as they entered. Eleven persons were killed.

Father McCombe and some ten settlers are entrenched in the Hudson Bay buildings at Fort Pitt and are surrounded by large numbers of savages. Big Bear’s band is amongst them. Great fears are entertained for their fate as well as the fate of the besieged at Battleford who are holding out, but according to the telegram on Thursday were very anxious.

The names of the killed at Frog Lake as far as can be learned are:
- Rev. Father Faford.
- Rev. Father Terrarch.
- Indian Agent Quinn.
- Farm Instructor Delaney.
- John Gominlock and wife.
- J. Williscraft.
- Charles German, and three other,
- names unknown.

Messrs. Delaney, J. K. Simcoe and two men of the H. B. Co. were taken prisoners.

There are 25 police at Fort Pitt. The Stony Indians fired on the police while going to the river for water. In the skirmish which followed two Indians were killed. No whites were injured.

The latest reports say that the situation is unchanged.

Gen. Middleton’s force camped yesterday 32 miles from Humboldt, and 10 miles on Salt Plain. Col. Otter has orders to go across the country to Battleford, if the boats are not ready at the mouth of Swift Current to take him down the Saskatchewan.

The York Rangers and the Simcoe Foresters went west to Qu’Appelle and Swift Current last night, and the 9th battalion arrived here. Col. Williams will reach here to-morrow with the Toronto cavalry. The Seventh of London is a day or two behind.

LONDON, April 12 – The Russian force attacked the Afghans at Peijdeh on March 31, and drove them from their position. The Russian accounts say the attack was provoked by the Afghans, but it is believed that the Russians were the aggressors. England is awaiting a satisfactory explanation before declaring war.