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## IS IT A BLOT

On the Justice of This Great Country.

## MEMBERS SAY SO

IN REGARD TO MRS. ROBINSON'S IMPRISONMENT.

The Budget Speech Will Soon Be Announced—Changes Suggested Respecting Banks and Banking—Privacy at Annual Meetings.

Spec. to the Whig.

Ottawa, Dec. 4.—In the House of Commons, yesterday, Mr. Gordon (Nipissing), asked the minister of justice if he had under consideration any petition for further clemency for Mrs. Robinson, whose sentence of death was reduced to imprisonment for ten years. He wished to know if the government proposed to release Mrs. Robinson on parole or to a portion of her sentence.

Mr. Aylesworth said no formal application for further clemency had been made to the government. The matter was, therefore, not under consideration.

Mr. Gordon therupon appealed to the sympathy of the prime minister and the members of the cabinet, on behalf of Mrs. Robinson. "Each day this poor woman spends in prison," he declared, "is a blot on the justice of this great country."

Mr. Fielding, replying to Mr. Foster, said that the banking bill would not be ready for some little time. He hoped to make an announcement regarding the budget speech early next week.

Several important changes in the act respecting banks and banking are suggested in a bill introduced in the house by Mr. Demers. In the first place the bill provides for the establishment of a system of inspection of banks by the dominion finance department. It proposes to exclude from general meetings of bank shareholders all persons who do not actually own stock. It provides that fifteen shareholders of any bank may call a special meeting and permits shareholders to obtain fuller reports regarding loans made by the banks, than are now given.

Mr. Demers, who introduced the bill, was one of the counsel interested in the St. Hyacinthe bank case.

Says She Was Engaged To Gould, New York, Dec. 4.—Miss Bessie Van Dorn, known on the stage as Bessie Le Poer, who is suing Frank Gould for breach of promise, sent for reporters and gave out a sworn statement in which she says:

"I am sure Mr. Gould will not deny that we were engaged to be married and that engagement existed until the day before Mr. Gould's departure for Europe."

Short Skirts Not Immodest.

Atlantic City, Dec. 4.—Shapely girls in short skirts shown in broadwalk moving pictures and penny slot machines are not immodest, according to Chief of Police Woodruff, who refused to take up the protest of local clubwomen, who claim that many children are being corrupted by cheap pictures of doubtful character.

Irving's Grandson A Player.

London, Dec. 4.—L. H. Irving, son of H. B. Irving and grandson of Sir Henry Irving, has appeared in a musical play at Durford school, near Swanage, where he is a pupil.

New Hats.

We are making a big showing of the new styles in \$2 and \$2.50 derbies, Campbell Bros., Kingston's hat store.

### DAILY MEMORANDA.

Matters not whether wind or storm, Campbell's Furs will keep you warm.

"The Fox," Grand Opera House, 8:15 p.m. Re-opening of St. Luke's Church, tomorrow.

Special Sales to-night, at Waldron's.

General Hospital Governors, 4 p.m. Monday.

High Court Non-Jury Sittings, 2 p.m. Monday.

Zinc Music, Dance and Concert, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Remember St. Luke's Xmas Sale, and Concert, Wednesday, 15th.

Look out for Waldron's Monday advertisement. A great Xmas opportunity.

Orpheum Theatre, beginning Monday afternoon. Moving Pictures of Johnston's Kochel light.

Broadway Theatre—"Briton" and "Boor." Postponed "Custer's Last Battle" instead. Other Pictures.

HAS TAUGHT 33 YEARS.  
Mrs. Thomas Symington Nanapnee, Entertains Bible Class.

Nanapnee, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Thomas Symington entertained her Sunday school class on Thursday evening, to a luncheon, at Caton's restaurant parlors. Mrs. Symington has been a Bible class teacher for thirty-three years, in the Western Methodist church. The evening was very profitably spent with addresses and music. Thomas Symington addressed the class on "the powers of organization," a subject he handled with much credit and grace to the class. W. T. Gibbard also gave an address, which was excellent.

Miss Minnie Miller, trained nurse, of New York, visiting her parents for the past couple of months, left, this week, for New York.

J. A. Dalton leaves, on Sunday, for his home in Bemidji, Minn., after visiting his mother, Mrs. Thomas Anderson, Belleville Road.

Mrs. J. R. Rowe and little daughter left, this week, for their home in Detroit, after spending a couple of months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Allen.

A. W. Grange has returned from the west, where he spent the past three weeks. Misses Nellie and Maggie Johnston expect to leave, next week, for Lethbridge, Alta.



C. H. CAHAM, Esq.  
President Canadian Cement Co., says that the merger is for the benefit of this special industry.

Liberty On Paying Fine.

Brockville, Ont., Dec. 4.—Mrs. H. C. Barker, who shot her husband, on Saturday last, following a domestic quarrel, got off lightly, in the police court. Her husband not being willing to prosecute, the chief of police lodged a minor charge of discharging a pistol in a public place, to which she pleaded guilty, and was fined two dollars and costs. Barker shows no ill-effects from the wound inflicted.

Farmer's Private Railway.

London, Dec. 4.—Alfred A. Worth, a farmer of Holbeach Hurst, Lincolnshire, has constructed a private railway ten miles long to convey produce from his farms to Fleet railway station.

CANADIAN VICTIMIZED.

Old Trick is Played on Montreal Watchmaker.

Paris, Dec. 4.—A Montreal watchmaker, Emile Wald, who is on a visit to Paris, was robbed, yesterday, of \$800 by means of the familiar confidence trick.

On the Boulevard des Capucines the Canadian met three men who had been fellow-passengers from New York. One undertook to show him the sights of the city, but before beginning their tour all four adjourned to the Cafe de la Paix for refreshments. There one of the men complained that he had been robbed of \$1,000 since his arrival in Paris, and suggested as a matter of precaution that the Canadian should become joint banker for the party.

The unsuspecting watchmaker, flattened by this mark of confidence, leisurely enough accepted the proposal. On the suggestion of his shipmates he placed all his ready cash in an envelope. The other members of the party apparently did likewise, and then the envelopes were sealed and handed over to the keeping of the Canadian. A few minutes afterward the three confederates, under one pretext or other, had disappeared.

After waiting an hour for their return, Mr. Wald decided to investigate the contents of the envelope. It contained a torn piece of newspaper with the Steinheil verdict, and nothing more.

Home In A Pigsty.

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New canned goods, corn, peas, tomatoes, pumpkin, beans, plums, pine-apple, 90c. a doz., at Gilbert's stores.

## TO POLL VOTES

Elections From January 13th to 24th.

## IF BUDGET BURIED

WAS IN SURE HOPE OF GLORIOUS RESURRECTION.

Lords Belong to the Tory Party—Greed Overborne Their Craft—The Stumpers Are Active Now—Duties Will Be Collected.

London, Dec. 4.—In responding to a toast to his health, at the Liberal Club, last night, Lloyd-George, the chancellor of the exchequer, said that if the budget were buried it was in the sure hope of a glorious resurrection. The lords, he declared, were as much a branch of the tory organization as tariff reform. It was time they were handled firmly. The finance bill has been thrown out, said Mr. Lloyd-George, not by the wise, reflecting men in the lords, but by the Mad Mullahs. With all the lords' cunning, concluded the chancellor, their greed has overborne their craft, and we have got them at last, and we do not mean to let them go.

Lord Lansdowne, speaking at Plymouth, defined the issues as tariff reform versus the extinct budget, and the two houses of parliament versus a single chamber. He pointed to the danger of the disestablishment of one house, and of the single chamber policy on the resident liberals.

Winston Spencer Churchill, president of the Board of Trade, speaking at Preston, challenged the unionists to show any benefit that could come to the cotton trade from their fiscal policy. He reminded his auditors that every leader of the conservative party, from the great William Pitt to the small Arthur J. Baillot, all leaders from the sublime to the ridiculous, were agreed that the House of Commons had control of finance.

The liberal unionist council, yesterday, on Austen Chamberlain's motion, passed a resolution of unqualified adherence to the policy of tariff reform.

The pollings for the election will begin January 13th, and continue through January 24th.

Independents in Dufferin.

Orangeville, Dec. 4.—John R. Gillespie, druggist, of this town, has issued his address to the electors of Dufferin, asking for support, as candidate for the commons in the bye-election. Mr. Gillespie divided the convention against Dr. Barr on the last occasion.

Took Him For A Deer.

Minden, Man., Dec. 4.—J. W. Cavendish, a young Englishman, while out moose-hunting north of here, was fired on by another hunter, who mistook him for a deer. The bullet shattered Cavendish's arm and he is now in the hospital here in a serious condition.

HOUSE STILL THERE

## FATE OF ANDRE PARTY NOW TOLD BY ESKIMOS.

Relate How "White House" Descended From Sky With White Men Starving and Who Died.

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G. Beautiful Christmas Gift.

By its distinctive superiority the Nordheimer piano is given the title of the quality tone piano.

These instruments are exhibited in Kirkpatrick's art rooms, 159 Princess street, You are invited to see them.

A French foal routed an Arab band in a battle in French West Africa.

Officials of the Great Northern RR say the switchmen's strike is about over.

See Livingston's \$12 Duplex overcoat.

DOUMA ASKED TO EXPLAIN.  
Prisoners Targets For Brutal Soldiers.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 4.—The social democratic faction has introduced an interpellation in the duma concerning the shooting of prisoners standing at the windows of Riga Central prison. The interpellation, which is addressed to the ministers of justice and war, states: "About noon, on August 25th, some of the invalids among the prisoners were walking in the courtyard. An inmate of the women's section of the prison, Emma Podzin, approached the window of her cell and watched the promenades. She made signs to them, and communication of any kind was out of the question, owing to the fact that the windows never opened. Nevertheless, the soldier on guard, without giving warning, raised his rifle and shot at Podzin through the window. She was hit in the lower part of the body, and died from the wound a few hours later."

"The other case was the shooting of a male political prisoner, named Edward Pela, on October 27th. At 7 a.m. Pela was standing near the window combing his hair. A rifle was suddenly fired by the sentry from the court yard, and Pela was killed on the spot, shot through the head."

It is said the C.P.R. has obtained the controlling interest in the Windsor hotel, Montreal.

No official word has yet been received at Montreal from the department of justice, as to the report presented by Drs. Phelan and Burgess, who examined John Dillon, as to his sanity.

J. W. Hanna will be a candidate for the Windsor mayoralty at the municipal elections in January. Mr. Hanna is a leading lawyer, a former member of the city council.

W. A. Cameron, of Marsh & Cameron, barristers, Toronto, has been appointed secretary of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

Mrs. William Puttler, wife of a merchant at Elkhorn, Ind., attempted to witness an operation on her son when she swooned away and died before physicians could revive her.

Joseph Hurley, twenty-five years old, an elevator operator, at the Massey-Harris works, Brantford, was killed on Saturday by being crushed between his car and a gate on the third floor.

Three persons met death, two more seriously burned, and a fireman was severely cut by flying glass, early on Saturday, on the top floor of the four story lodging house at No. 83 South street, New York.

William T. Hodgins, ex-M.P., for Carleton county, died at his home in Hazeldean on Friday night. He had been a sufferer for some time from inflammatory rheumatism. The late Mr. Hodgins was born in 1857.

Union officials, representing one hundred thousand men, will begin conferences in New York city, on Monday, to formulate their demands upon the railways for a ten per cent. increase in wages for all employees.

William P. Gentle, postmaster at Ransomville, N.Y., one of the wealthiest men in Niagara county, and William Hudler were killed on the New York Central railway crossing at Ransom. They were driving across the track.

The explosion of a boiler in St. Patrick's asylum, Ottawa, wrecked the basement and lower floor of the building, but all the inmates, aged people and children, of whom there are 200 in the institution, miraculously escaped injury.

Leo Barry, longshoreman, Hamilton, was drowned, on Saturday, when twenty tons of wire piled on the dock of the Mutual Steamship company, broke through the flooring and plunged into the water beneath. Several others were carried into the water but were rescued.

The record for late closing of the Lachine canal navigation will be captured this year. The canal was due to close on November 30th. The steamer Bickerdike, however, is bound down from the west with a big grain cargo, and will not arrive at the elevator until Sunday morning.