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TORIES DO NOT THINK LIBERALS WILL BLOCK

The Naval Bill When it Reaches Senate

THE PRESENT DEBATE

LOOKED UPON AS MERELY PRELIMINARY.

The Conservative View of the Liberal Tactics—It Looks as if the Borden Side Was Very Anxious Over the Conditions Existing.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—The Montreal Star's Ottawa correspondent writes: That an aggressive element of the opposition is in favor of blocking the bill and forcing an election on the naval issue is beyond question in the conservative view here.

The suggestion to block supply will hardly be carried out, as the general estimates have nothing in common with the naval appropriation. There has never been a session for years in which some one has not talked of blocking supply, but when this is started and all public works and the pay of government employees are held up, the obstruction invariably has been abandoned as the most effective way of forcing an appeal to the country would be for the senate to reject the measure, but such a constitutional prerogative is seldom exercised, in any respect, and particularly not in regard to a subject of such great imperial importance. Frequently in discussions in the commons the utility of the senate has been much questioned, and it is by no means the popular chamber. Should any drastic action be taken by it on the naval bill, it is thought that the opposition would be somewhat similar to that which the upper house of the motherland was forced to undergo.

While, he stated, a number of eastern liberal members are full of fight and desirous of forcing an election if possible, the westerners do not share that view with them. The tariff always is the strong card, and they wish no contest wherein that issue would be subordinated to any other. Moreover, they desire no election till there is a redistribution bill.

In any event the present debate in the house is wholly preliminary. The opposition itself does not know what it will eventually do. It will depend upon what the members report as to the feeling of their constituents, on returning after New Year's Day. If the outlook were at all encouraging many would favor forcing dissolution if such is possible, but, as pointed out, the western wing, which is strong in the party councils, does not sympathize with that scheme.

What will happen cannot be accurately forecasted by either side to-day, nor for a few weeks, but the older heads say there will be no election.

WHOLESALE PRICES ROSE

One Point Higher in Labor Department Index—Some Retail Up Also.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—The Labor Department's index number of the Labor Gazette, just issued, gives the information that wholesale prices rose approximately one point in November, standing at 134.3, as compared with 133.1 in October and 129.4 in November, 1911. The advance was due chiefly to higher prices for fish, textiles, hides and leathers, fuel and lighting, while Ontario grains, dairy products, metals, lumber and miscellaneous building materials were slightly upwards, with western grains, cattle and beef, points and oils, downward. As compared with the same month last year, grains and hoppers, fruits and vegetables were lower, while animals, meats, dairy products, fish, textiles, hides, leathers, boots and shoes, metals, fuel, house furnishings, and miscellaneous commodities were higher than in 1911. In retail prices, coal, wood, butter and eggs were upwards; potatoes also were higher. In Ontario, while there was a downward movement in flour, sugar, prunes and evaporated apples.

Popular in West.

Halifax, Dec. 17.—While Nova Scotia apples are the centre of interest in the English markets, they are not all going there. The Canadian north-west is taking considerable quantities, and has been doing so for several years past. A good market exists for these grades, as they are preferred to most others because of their high quality. The trade this year has practically doubled, and the outlook for a profitable market in the west in the future is bright.

Thirty Thousand to Strike.

Saarbrücken, Rhenish Prussia, Dec. 17.—The members of the Christian Labor Union, numbering 20,000, voted here to-day to strike Jan. 2nd. The strike will affect the Saar coal mines. The other Catholic unions, including 15,000 members of the so-called Berlin wing, voted to await the fulfillment of the mine-owners' promises of higher wages.

Mrs. E. D. Wellman, Marmora, Ont., shot by her husband, is on the road to recovery.

DAILY MEMORANDA

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INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS.

114 Workmen Killed, 359 Injured During November.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—According to the record of industrial accidents maintained by the Department of Labor, 114 workmen were killed and 359 injured during the month of November. Compared with the record for October, which was 105 killed and 415 injured, there were nine more killed and forty-seven fewer injured during November.

The greatest number of fatal accidents occurred in steam railway service, navigation and the building trades, the figures for which were 28, 24 and 13 respectively. The largest number of non-fatal accidents occurred also in the steam railway service, the record being 125, followed by the metal trades, with 79, and by the building trades with 33.

BUDDHISM IS GROWING.

Women of Pacific Coast Cities Espouse Eastern Religion.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Alarm at the growth of Buddhism on the Pacific coast is expressed in the report of the Home Missions committee at the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ, submitted recently.

"One of the most startling facts confirmed by investigation is that Buddhism in Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles is aggressively propagating itself from these centres," says the report. "Buddhist temples have been erected in which cultured priests administer the rites and ceremonies of their religion, and through a series of lectures are reaching large numbers of Americans, especially women."

GIFT OF \$25,000 GIVEN FOR MEMORIAL

Large Sum to Tuberculosis Fund in Memory of Senator Fulford.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—A letter has been received from Mr. A. C. Hardy, of Brockville, written at Vevy, Switzerland, authorizing W. J. Gage to subscribe, on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy, the sum of \$25,000 to the King Edward Memorial Fund for Consumptives. Out of this sum, \$5,000 is to be devoted to the erection of a cottage, and the balance of \$20,000 is to form an endowment fund. The cottage will be a memorial to Mrs. Hardy's father, the late Hon. George Taylor Fulford, Brockville, and will be erected at the Muskoka Free Hospital.

PITH OF NEWS

Despatches From Near And Distant Places.

THE LATEST TIDINGS

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

The Whig's Daily Condensation of the News of the World From Telegraph Service and Newspaper Exchanges.

Ex-Mayor Haggart, Menheim, died at the age of fifty-nine.

Windsor ratepayers voted almost unanimously to grant usual exemptions to two big industries.

Mr. Asquith paid a tribute in the House of Commons to the late United States Ambassador, Whitelaw Reid.

The Methodists of Toronto will seek to raise \$180,000 for home and foreign missions.

Charles D. Massey contributed \$10,000 to the King Edward Memorial Fund for Consumptives.

Thomas Hummel, New Germany, died from infirmities of old age, having just passed his ninety-ninth birthday.

Six persons were killed when a Lake Shore & Michigan Southern train ran into a street car at Centre street, Ashtabula.

C. C. Ballantyne of the Montreal Harbor Commission, addressing the Canadian Club, suggested the formation of a Canadian Lloyds to encourage tramp steamers.

President Taft has directed Secretary Wilson to appoint Dr. Carl Albert, a chemist in the Agricultural Department, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry, to succeed Dr. Harvey W. Wiley.

The supreme court of the United States on Monday, cancelled, as violative of the Sherman anti-trust law, the contracts by which railroad-owned coal companies in the Pennsylvania anthracite fields had purchased for all time the output of "independent" mines.

TEN SHIPS OVERDUE.

And Grave Uneasiness is Felt in New York.

New York, Dec. 17.—There is grave uneasiness in shipping circles for the safety of ten of the large freight steamers, now overdue in Atlantic passage. In each case, very high rates are being asked for insurance. The list of overdue ships is the longest since 1899.

All ten of the missing vessels left port toward the end of last month, and are known to have encountered violent weather. Each carries a crew of from thirty to forty men, and the value of ships and cargoes totals nearly \$3,500,000.

Pardoned Many Convicts.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 17.—Governor George W. Donaghy, to-day, pardoned 316 state and forty-four county convicts, and in a long statement said his action was taken as a protest against the system of leasing convicts in vogue in Arkansas. Some of the men pardoned were sentenced to terms of fifteen years.

Daily Christmas Hint

A Dainty Gift For the Wee Tot

Most attractive for the wee tot a year or two old is the pretty little cap pictured.

A foundation cap of white silk has to be provided, and over this founda-



INFANT'S CAP OF SATIN BIRDS.

ties are arranged platings or gullings of cream colored satin ribbon. Where the strings are attached to the cap appear tiny bunches of rosebuds and forget-me-nots.

DIES OF HER INJURIES.

Woman Hurt in Railway Accident Passes Away.

Chatham, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Henry Terrington, injured in an accident at the Park street G.T.R. crossing in this city a few days ago, died yesterday at the hospital. Mrs. Terrington had been unconscious since the accident. It is likely an inquest will be held.

Men's slippers, great variety, low prices. Dutton's store.

"McCook's Christmas sweets" at Gibson's.

See Bilby's \$15.00 Blue Suits.

MIKADO TAKES ACTION

To Have a New Government Formed at Once.

Tokyo, Japan, Dec. 17.—Despairing of the present cabinet ministers being able to agree on a new premier, the mikado to-day appointed Prince Taro Katsura to form a new government. The premier has been vacant for a month when the last occupant resigned because of cabinet differences over the necessity of a larger army and navy.

The publication here of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's policy for a Pacific squadron navy caused quite a lot of excitement in naval circles here, and induced the mikado to take instant action.

BIG FIRE AT STRATFORD.

The Stratford Mill Buildings Were Burned—Firemen Injured.

Stratford, Dec. 17.—This city early this morning suffered the worst fire in many years when flames gutted the principal buildings of the Stratford Mill Building company, with a loss of \$100,000, partly covered by insurance. The fire which started in the boiler room, was fanned by a brisk east wind. Fireman Schultz and Plaskett were badly hurt.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE

To the Late Whitelaw Reid in Westminster Abbey.

London, Dec. 17.—In response to the expressed wishes of the King George, the memorial service to the late Whitelaw Reid will be held in Westminster Abbey.

THE EXPRESS MESSENGER FAKED THE ROBBERY

Threw Money From Train and Said Bandits Had Attacked Him.

Bakersfield, Calif., Dec. 17.—Marvin W. Hamby, the twenty-two year old express messenger, whose car on the Sunset western train of the Santa Fe Railroad, was robbed of \$20,415 in gold near here last week, has confessed that he had robbed the safe with the aid of his sixteen year old brother Melvin.

The money, which had been hidden by the boys in a brickyard at Kern Junction, was recovered with the exception of \$300, which was found in Melvin's room. Both brothers are in jail.

The robbery was committed last Monday night. After telling a story of an attack by two bandits, who had laid him unconscious with a blow on the head, the young messenger was taken to a hospital at Taft, Calif., where he shammed injury so successfully that not until yesterday was he seriously suspected.

Then he was brought here and subjected to a "third degree" for five hours by the railroad and express detectives.

Breaking down finally, Hamby threw his hands over his head and sobbed out, "Oh, I did it myself."

BRITAIN WILL ENDEAVOR

To Settle Differences Between Turks and Greeks.

London, Dec. 17.—There was unofficial news to-day that the Turkish and Greek fleets were again engaged at the entrance to the Dardanelles.

It was given out this afternoon that Britain had offered to try to settle the differences in the peace conference over the Greek delegates with the earnest desire to ensure a treaty being reached without further loss of life.

There is a feeling here that the Turkish point of order regarding the presence of the Greek delegation is well taken.

NO DISSENSION EXISTS IN THE ADMIRALTY

The Board Has Become the Strongest in Many Years—All is Harmony.

London, Dec. 17.—There is no dissension in the admiralty, nor has there been any. Admiral Bridgeman leaves the post of First Sea Lord solely because he is unable to stand the strain of so responsible a position in these strenuous times. He has been able to do hardly one week's work since August, when his doctors declared he must winter abroad. He made no suggestion of resignation. Mr. Churchill was bound to take the step he did in the interests of the service, but no differences of opinion exist among the Sea Lords, particularly in regard to the imperial aspects of Britain's naval policy.

Prince Louis of Battenberg is regarded as the best admiral in the navy. He has been in the British navy since boyhood. He is a highly scientific officer who has won distinction in every rank. Both in peace and war, and also during successive manoeuvres he has distinguished himself above any other fighting admiral.

Admiral Jellicoe, the new Second Sea Lord, is a great administrator. He comes straight from the sea to Whitehall. With these changes the admiralty board becomes the strongest for many years.

Edmonton Civic Expenditure.

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 17.—William Shortt, K.C., a pioneer of Edmonton, who was chosen mayor at the election on Dec. 9th, announced that the programme of civic improvements decided upon for 1913 involves the expenditure of more than \$12,000,000. The city already has \$12,000,000 invested in its public utilities.

WEAKNESS EXPOSED OF BORDEN NAVY PLAN

A Great Speech by Dr. Michael Clark.

LIBERALS' PROPOSALS

FOR CANADIAN NAVAL SERVICE JUSTIFIED.

It is the Only Dignified Policy, the British-born Member for Red Deer Declared—The Borden "Emergency" Fails to Exist.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—An unanswerable, complete, and finely-balanced argument, justifying the liberal proposals for a Canadian naval service for the defence of our own coast and the relieving of Great Britain of that burden, and exposing the fundamental weaknesses of the Borden plan of money contribution, was given to the commons last night by Dr. Michael Clark, the British-born member for Red Deer, Alberta. It was a speech which for clear and convincing logic, epigrammatic statement and debating power, ranked with those of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. George P. Graham. It kept the liberal side of the house constantly applauding, and it was a close and appreciative hearing even "from the ranks of Tassany." It was welcome relief to a house jaded and disappointed with the sophistry that has marked the admittedly weak attempts of the contributors on the government side of the house to the debate. Once Premier Borden put forward the only serious attempt to justify his policy.

Dr. Clark, who followed J. A. M. Aikins (Brandon), touched the vital aspects of the whole question, national and imperial. He urged that the policy of contribution could not be supported by anything in the admiralty memorandum; that it was a direct violation of the policy enunciated last April by the first lord of the admiralty, Hon. Winston Churchill; that it was un-Canadian and un-British; that it was subversive of the principle of responsible government, and was both undignified and unnecessary. He followed up this criticism of the government's position with an equally brilliant vindication of the Laurier policy as the only possible one consonant with strong nationhood and permanent imperial unity, equal to all the needs of the situation and consistent with parliament's first sane and united stand on the general question of naval defence.

He concluded with a ringing declaration of a staunch Canadianism and a true Imperialism. "If we can only have a chance to start with," he said, "let it be a Canadian chance. We on this side of the house stand united as one man. We stand where we did, and we stand where you did and where you should be standing to-day. We stand for Canada a nation; a nation beneath a common flag; a nation within the empire; with a nation's rights, a nation's spirit to discharge the responsibilities of the empire, and progress of the world. We stand on that policy, and we are confident we have the majority of the people of Canada with us, for this is the only policy that makes for the dignity of our nation, for the harmony and progress of the empire, and for the peace of the civilized world."

Big Increase in Federal Revenue.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—Dominion financial statement for November, shows revenue amounted to \$14,291,778, increase \$2,702,108 over 1911. The month's expenditure, which was \$8,177,843, is an increase of \$692,193.

For eight months ended Nov. 30th revenue shows the unexampled increase of \$22,548,527. The figures being \$110,435,375 against \$87,886,848. The expenditure on consolidated fund account increased \$11,669,227 during the eight months, while the capital expenditure was greater by \$3,374,953.

MINES OF NO PROMISE.

Gives Evidence for Prosecution Against Hawthorne.

New York, Dec. 17.—Although counsel for the defence fought hard to exclude his testimony, A. A. Hesselbring, a mining expert, testified for the government at the trial of Julian Hawthorne and others, charged with fraudulently using the mails in promoting mining stocks, that he had examined some of the defendant's iron ore properties in Ontario and had "found nothing promising."

CHILD DIES OF BURNS.

Sets Fire to Clothing During Absence of Mother.

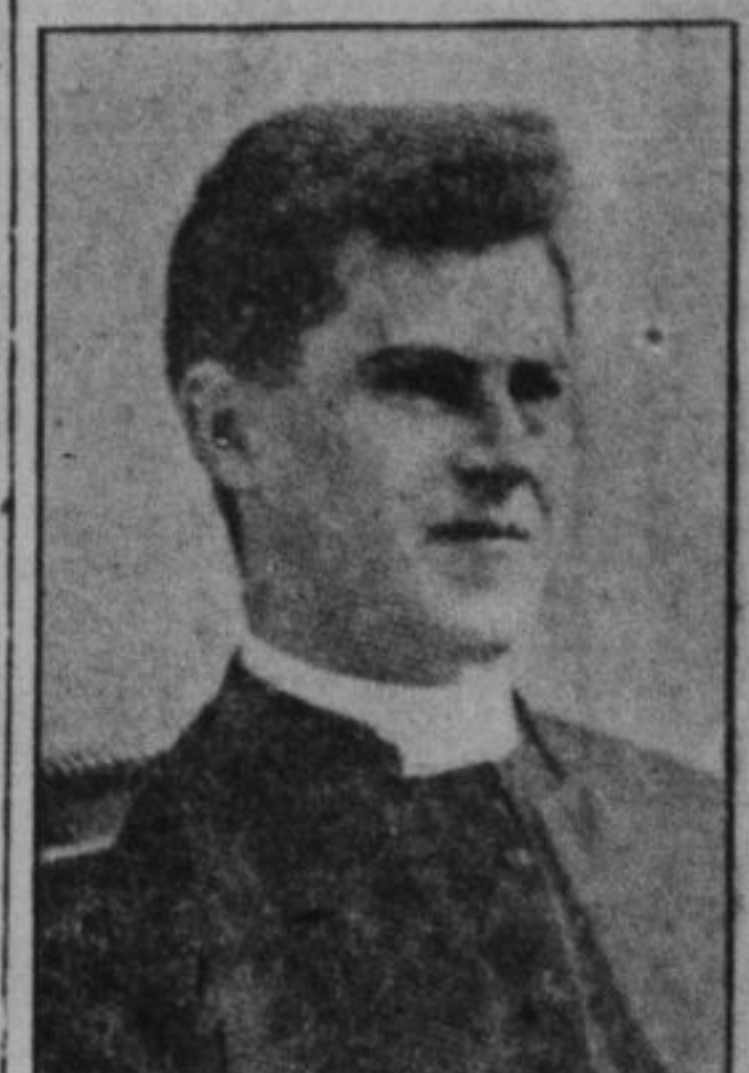
St. Catharines, Dec. 17.—The three-year-old son of Bernard Turner, who lives near Merriton, was burned to death yesterday. He had been left alone for a few minutes by his mother, and in some way set fire to his clothes, and was so badly burned before assistance reached him that he died a few hours afterwards.

Bilby's Store open evenings.

It would pay you to visit our new store this Christmas for your presents. We have not quite completed our improvements but are ready with the best stock in the city to serve you. R. J. Reid.

Huyler's Christmas sweets" at Gibson's.

Bilby's Store open evenings.



REV. T. W. SAVARY. Appointed rector of St. James' church.

WATCHES HIS WIFE BURNING TO DEATH

Unable to Move as Woman Writhes in Agony, Enveloped in Flames.

Smiths Falls, Ont., Dec. 17.—Mrs. Robert Waddell, whose home is near Vernon, Dundas county, met a tragic death, on Sunday. She had got up at an early hour to replenish the fire, and in order to start it more quickly she threw some coal oil in the stove. Immediately there was an explosion and a flame burst forth, igniting her hair. She ran into the next room, where lay her husband, who is a helpless invalid, and by almost superhuman efforts he succeeded in extinguishing the blaze about her head. Overcome by the shock, the unfortunate woman sank to the floor and expired. The sick man was unable to do anything for her and she lay where she fell until an hour later, when her son came in from a nearby farm to do the morning work about his parents' home. He was horrified to find his mother dead and the fire still smouldering in her clothing. The deceased was terribly burned from her head to her feet. She was sixty-eight years of age.

LAI D OUT BY BURGLAR.

Night Watchman of London Barrel Factory Badly Injured.

London, Ont., Dec. 17.—Benjamin Leitch, night watchman at the London barrel factory, is in very serious condition as a result of an attempt made to murder him by an unknown burglar. Leitch was in the boiler room about three o'clock this morning when he suddenly got a terrific blow on the head with a barrel stove and lay unconscious until the factory opened. Another watchman named Straud was shot through the hand recently when he surprised a robber.

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DIED.

GALLIVAN—At Lethbridge, Alta., on Dec. 15th, 1912, John, beloved wife of Mr. M. Gallivan, V.P., formerly of Kingston, Ont.

KELLY—At Tawas City, Michigan, on Dec. 15th, 1912, William Kelly, a native of Kingston, Ont., brother of Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, and the late Isaac Kelly, of this city.

OHARA—On Dec. 17th, 1912, at the home of her parents, 76 Arch Street, Kingston, Emma Compton, wife of George Ohara, of Waterbury, N.Y.

Funeral from St. James' Church, Thursday morning, Dec. 19th, at ten o'clock.

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