

## SIR JAMES WHITNEY IN SERIOUS CONDITION

### Little Hope Held Out For His Recovery.

### VERY ILL IN NEW YORK

### A CANCER SPECIALIST IS IN ATTENDANCE.

Word Reached Kingston on Monday Morning That the Premier Was Dead, But This Report Proved To Be Premature.

Sir James Whitney, premier of Ontario, lies in a dying condition in New York, where he has been for the past few weeks, under the care of Hon. Dr. R. A. Payne. Despatches from that city state that Sir James' condition is causing grave concern, and that a prominent cancer specialist has been called to attend him.

From Toronto come the news that Lady Whitney left on Sunday for the bedside of Sir James, and that Hon. J. J. Poy attorney-general, admits that there is reason for anxiety.

Word reached Dr. A. E. Ross, M. P. P., early on Monday morning that Sir James was dead, but this report, which was bulletined, turned out shortly afterwards to be untrue. It is not expected, however, that the premier will long survive. Owing to his illness, the calling of the legislature has been postponed.

Sir James Whitney, who has been premier since 1902, is in his seventy-first year, being born at Wilhelmsburg, Ontario, in 1843. He entered the legislature in 1888 and has represented the riding of Dundas ever since.

This despatch was sent out from New York at 9 a.m.

There is hope. Hon. Dr. Payne announces that Sir James' condition is no worse, and he does not consider his death as imminent, there is still hope.

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### Will Develop District

The Grand Trunk Pacific has extensive plans on hand for the development of Smithers and the surrounding districts. The company will assist materially in construction of electric lighting plant as well as other municipal undertakings and will finance a number of improvements.

### To Hold Reception.

Mrs. Mark Everette Wright will receive on Wednesday, January 7th, from three to six o'clock at 415 Albert street; after that every first and third Wednesday in each month.

It is quite probable that the Dominion government will this year spend a million dollars in improvements to Canada's national park at Banff, Alta.

Free life insurance worth \$250,000 was the New Year's present of the Cleveland Trust company to its employees.

No vessel carrying fifty or more passengers or going 200 miles or more may hereafter be without wireless apparatus.

At Montreal, details of the discovery of a germ which is believed to be the cause of scarlet fever was announced.

It is said the C.N.R. will ask the Dominion government for \$50,000,000 at the coming session.

White Rose flour pleases the most fastidious.

### DAILY MEMORANDA

Hand at the Palace Rink to-night. Ernie Marks Co., Grand Opera house 8.15 p.m.

See top of page 2, right hand corner, for probabilities.

### To Business Men Who Do Not Advertise

When you fail to receive your daily newspaper are you annoyed?

Try going without your favorite newspaper for a day or so, and you will realize what an important part it plays in the lives of our people.

To most readers the advertisements are as important as the so-called news. They are the bulletins of commerce.

Newspaper readers soon grow to have an unconscious intimacy with advertisers whose names they see day after day. When they want anything they naturally turn to these advertisers because they know them.

If you do not advertise, you are hampered from the start. You do not get the trade of the great and growing army of newspaper advertising readers unless it is by accident.

There is another question you might ask yourself: "Does my business increase as it should?" Then put the same question to some of your friends who are investing money in advertising.



SIR JAMES WHITNEY. THE WORLD'S NEWS.

### The Very Latest Cullied From All Over the World.

The Battle of Ojinaga is still in progress in Mexico. Sergeant Harper and the missing North-west mounted police patrol is reported safe.

Patrolman John Gordon, Detroit, shot by bandits is dead. He is the seventh officer shot on duty since last March.

The American Protestant churches gave over sixteen million dollars last year, as foreign missionary contributions.

The estate of the late Whitelaw Reid, United States Ambassador to Great Britain was valued at over one million dollars.

At Ottawa, Thomas Anderson, arraigned on a charge of highway robbery, was found guilty and sentenced to three years in penitentiary.

John Clancy, killed in Chicago by falling from an elevator shaft, was once a famous jockey in England. He rode two Derby winners.

### MONTREAL IS FACING A FLOOD OF CLAIMS

### Fire Loss Alone Said to Be a Million—Investigation is Demanded.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—Apart from the present and immediate loss due to the disastrous fire (about \$1,000,000) to the extraordinary expenditure required necessary for the emergency system of water distribution which had to be organized, and to the big payment which will have to be made to the Montreal Water and Power company, for its supply during the crisis, the city is facing a flood of claims of all descriptions from property owners who have suffered heavy material losses during the water famine.

Manufacturers who found their business disrupted, householders and property owners who have suffered heavy losses through fires which were uncontrolled owing to the absence of water, have claims against the city, and it is said that many of these will be pressed in the courts.

Prominent citizens have reiterated their demand for an investigation, and the movement to call an emergency meeting of the City Council early this week is receiving considerable popular support.

Mayor LaVelle has turned down the request for a meeting. If the meeting is called, several aldermen are ready to voice the demand of the citizens for an instant and thorough investigation which will have for its object the placing of the responsibility for the disastrous interruption of the service which has cost the city many hundreds of thousands of dollars.

### Leave to Escape Taxes

Berlin, Jan. 5.—The newspapers here say that the judge of a municipal court has refused to administer the oath to witnesses to a court proceeding because they were not members of the church. The judge said he doubted the validity of an oath administered to such persons.

The incident is considered important because of the general movement throughout the country of members to withdraw from the state church in order to escape payment of compulsory church taxes. The withdrawals reached such proportions last week that scores of extra officials were on duty registering them.

### A Canadian's Invention

Sydney, N.S., Jan. 5.—Charles Bethune, of Sydney, says he has completed a model of a ship without propellers or any kind of machinery under the water line, built on the ocean greyhound principle, and invented and patented by him. He says it would make the passage from St. Paul's Island to Lunenburg, England, in fifty hours.

### Public Library Entertainment

Coming, Walter Eccles and College Girls, third of the series, in City Hall, Thursday, January 8th. Ticket holders please see that all seats are reserved anew owing to the fact that the last two entertainments of the series will be held in the City Hall.

### GREEK \$100,000,000 LOAN

### Additional Tax Will Be Placed On Tobacco to Carry It.

Athens, Greece, Jan. 5.—A bill authorizing the Greek government to issue a new loan of \$100,000,000 was presented to the Chamber of Deputies Saturday. The loan, which is to be redeemable in fifty years, is to bear five per cent. interest, and the minimum price of issue has been fixed at 87.

As security for the loan, the bill will authorize the minister of finance to pledge certain Greek revenues, including an additional tax to be imposed on tobacco, and some of the customs duties.

Simultaneously another bill was introduced, reducing by more than half, the duties on sugar, coffee, rice, tea, preserved goods, and benzine.

### GENERAL SHOOTING GENERAL

### And Is in Turn Shot and Killed by Victim's Wife.

Coro, Venezuela, Jan. 5.—A family tragedy resulted in the death of the leader of Cipriano Castro's unsuccessful revolutionary army, General Lazaro Gonzalez and General Urbina, who had been erroneously reported among the killed on August 15th, last, in a battle with the government troops here.

General Urbina shot General Gonzalez dead after a quarrel. Later in the day Senora Gonzalez, assisted by a friend, shot and killed General Urbina.

### FORCED TO SERVE AGAINST HIS WILL

### Greek Grocer, of Hamilton, Compelled to Enlist When He Went Home.

Hamilton, Jan. 5.—Fifteen years ago Alexander Christopher, who conducts one of the finest grocery stores in Hamilton on James street north came to Hamilton with several brothers, and when they entered the restaurant business he started a grocery store. Fortune smiled on Alexander until two months ago, when word was received that his father died in Greece. He was chosen by his brothers to go back home to attend to the funeral arrangements, and it was his intention to come back to Hamilton in a month's time.

Fate stepped in and upset those calculations, however, for on Saturday, Peter, Christopher's brother, received a letter from Alex under to the effect that he had been forced to enlist in the Greek army for three years' service.

He pleaded that he was now a Canadian and a British subject, but the Greek military officials refused to listen to his arguments, and forced him to enlist under penalty of imprisonment.

Alexander is now making a special effort to secure leave of absence to come back to Hamilton to settle up his business affairs and dispose of his grocery store.

### BIG FIRE IN STRATHROY

### Canadian Handle Factory Destroyed; Loss \$100,000

Strathroy, Jan. 5.—Fire caused a hundred thousand dollars loss here today and three seventy men out of work when the Canadian Handle factory was destroyed.

Works may now be transferred to London, where there is already a big plant.

### Choose Capt. J. B. Foote

Toronto, Jan. 5.—Captain James B. Foote, one of the best-known marine experts on fresh water, and manager of the marine department of the Toronto Insurance and Vessel agency, with headquarters in Toronto, has been recommended by the Dominion Marine association as its representative on commissions appointed by the dominion government for the purpose of investigating marine wrecks and disasters on the Great Lakes.

### To Distribute Half Profits

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 5.—Arrangements have been made by the Ford Motor Car Co. for distribution of about ten million dollars, approximately half its profits, among its twenty-two thousand employees annually, on the percentage basis.

### HUERTA MUST GO

### DECLARES WILSON

### This is the Only Hope For Change of Attitude Towards Mexico.

Gulfport, Miss., Jan. 5.—The Wilson Mexican policy stands unchanged today. Huerta must go. Until he does, there can be no hope for any modification of this government's attitude towards Mexico.

Standing in the sun at a railway crossing in this city Saturday, the chief executive made this very plain. He ended for all time sensational stories that he had decided to change his methods and to arbitrate forces for the present method of diplomatic and financial boycott. And he also stated that John Lind, his personal representative, will start back for Mexico this afternoon. The president insisted that there had been much ado about nothing in Lind's visit.

If Governor Ferris will agree to make a public declaration of the conditions he finds in the copper country the Western Federation of Miners will agree to abide by his statement, according to Charles H. Meyer, president of the federation.

### A SHIP SINKS

### Off Long Island Shore—Forty Were Drowned.

### STORM WAS TERRIFIC

### ALONG THE ATLANTIC COAST

### SUNDAY NIGHT

### Shores Striven With Wreckage of Small Boats—Revenue Cutters Patrol Waters—New Jersey Seaside Resorts Damaged.

New York, Jan. 5.—The American line steamer Oklahoma, with thirty-five men aboard, went down off Long Island shore in a terrific storm last night. Three life boat crews, in answer to her signal of distress, put out to her assistance and at least one of them was dashed to pieces against the side of the ship and seven lives were lost. Others were trying to make the side of the vessel when they saw her go down suddenly.

In all forty men were lost. Capt. Guenter and six men were picked up today on life rafts by the American liner Bavarian.

### Damage to Seaside Resorts

Seabright, N.J., Jan. 5.—Damage estimated variously from one million to two million dollars was caused during the night all along the coast. This fashionable summer resort and many others were practically demolished by heavy waves. It is feared there has been loss of life among fishermen and others on the coast. The shores are strewn with wreckage of snails and steamers. United States revenue cutters are patrolling the waters to lend aid to the shipwrecked.

### OCEAN GIVES UP BODY

### OF MISS JESSIE E. MCCANN, MISSING HEIRESS

### Of New York—Remains Found at Coney Island—No Signs of Violence on the Body.

New York, Jan. 5.—The body of Miss Jessie E. McCann, the young settlement worker who disappeared from her Brooklyn home just a month ago, was yesterday given up by the sea.

It was found by a watchman shortly after daybreak at Coney Island, having been washed ashore by the heavy surf that pounded the beach during last Saturday's gale.

Long immersion had made the features unrecognizable, but identification of the young woman by her family was made possible by a signet ring with the initials "J.E.M." and by articles of clothing Miss McCann wore the day she disappeared.

Miss McCann was last seen by her family when she left her home December 4th, supposedly to attend to settlement work duties. A few days later her father, a well-to-do business man, notified the police of her disappearance and offered a reward of \$1,000 for information as to her whereabouts. He also had her photograph thrown on the screens of moving picture theatres throughout the east in the hope that this would lead to the finding of the young woman.

Numerous reports of Miss McCann having been seen come from all parts of the country, but investigation in each case proved them to be erroneous. The police gave credence to the story of a woman who asserted that she saw Miss McCann the day after her disappearance near a bathing pavilion at Coney Island, where the body was found.

There were no signs of violence on the body, according to physicians who examined it, and the police have no clue as to the manner in which she was drowned.

### BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABLE MEN

Monday, January Fifth.

Colonel S. B. Steele, C.B., M.V.O., former head of the Royal North West Mounted Police and a famous adventurer of the plains, celebrates his sixty-fifth birthday today. Of all the exciting incidents of his career in the west, the Yukon and South Africa, he best likes to relate the story of his escape in a buffalo stampede that occurred in 1873. He was accompanying the commissioners, who were negotiating treaties with the Cree when one day the party caught sight of a tremendous cloud of dust bearing down on them. Presently it was seen that the dust was being raised by an enormous herd of buffalo, stretching over a wide space of country and being hunted by Blackfeet Indians. Colonel Steele and his party formed a horseshoe of carts and took refuge behind them. Fortunately they succeeded in breaking the herd in two or else they would have been trampled out of existence.

The federal government has bought a site for a dry dock at Esquimaux, and tenders are to be called for in the spring.

### THE CRISIS IS PAST

### And Canada Stood the Strañ Mag-nificently.

London, Jan. 5.—Speaking at the Wolfe birthday dinner, Alfred Smithers, chairman of the Grand Trunk, remarked that there are some people in this country to-day who in a somewhat parrot fashion, take up the cry that Canada is going too fast.

"I do not think they realize that Canada has been going through the most difficult period for the last eighteen months. The crisis they talk of is to a great extent past. Canada was caught like a ship carrying full sail in a storm of scarce and dear money. I say unhesitatingly that she stood the strain magnificently."

### Foreigners Disappointed

Mexico City, Jan. 5.—The announcement that President Wilson's policy would remain unchanged, after John Lind's trip to Pass Christian, is a source of disappointment to most foreigners and many Mexicans, who believed that the interview between the president and his personal representative might result in some definite step to put an early end to the distressing conditions, which, so far as business is concerned, are fast growing acute.

### B. C. Mines Are Producers.

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 5.—The total mineral production of British Columbia for the year 1913 was slightly under \$20,000,000, according to an estimate by the provincial department of mines. There is a falling-off in coal and copper and an increase in gold, silver, and lead.

### RAILWAY BUILDING MAKES NEW RECORD

### Three Transcontinental Lines Well Advanced, Expenditure \$100,000,000.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—When the story of railway construction in Canada in 1913 told in detail it will be shown that the progress made far exceeded anything in the past history of the country. The three transcontinental railways have been working might and main for the past year, and the result has been a long and steady advance in the development of the transportation facilities of east and west.

During the past year at least 2,250 miles of new road were approved by the railway board and a national construction of party politics, on several thousand miles more. The C. P. R. Railway alone had work progressing on 2,472 miles of new track west of Fort William. The rails have all been laid and Montreal to the G. T. P. promises to drive the last spike on British Columbia section of the main line next summer.

The C. N. R. has just laid the last steel to connect Toronto and Winnipeg and is working on the mountain section.

At least one hundred millions were spent on capital account by Canadian railways last year.

### WHO WILL ANSWER

### These Questions Asked by the Rev. Alfred Brown?

Speaking, in Sydenham street Methodist church on Sunday evening of varied conditions in Kingston and in the city, during the mother's day of different matters having a bearing upon the welfare of citizens and the future of the city, Rev. Alfred Brown set forth the following queries: "Are we Christians in the business movement, in the civic administration of this place?"

"Are the influences of Christianity dominant in our public affairs? Do we put our best citizens forward for public positions and back them with our sympathies and votes?"

"Are we guarding the sanctity of the Sabbath and protecting the rights of the laboring man in respect to Sunday labor?"

"Are the laws which exist for the regulation of the liquor traffic being enforced? Are those who are responsible for the enforcement doing their duty? Are the citizens insisting that this traffic shall be kept within the limits of the law?"

"Are our policemen vigilant to discover and break up gambling dens and houses of ill-repute?"

### PUBLIC OWNERSHIP PAYS IN BROCKVILLE

### Year Shows Handsome Profits For the Light and Water Plants.

Brockville, Jan. 5.—Brockville continues to march merrily on with the successful operation of its municipally owned light and water plants. The year just closed shows a splendid increase in revenue, which reached the sum of \$130,332.

Over and above operating expenses the gross profits amounted to \$28,848. To liquidating debentures, sinking fund and interest, \$19,554 was applied, leaving a net gain of \$9,292 to be carried over next year. The department contributed \$2,200 into the general treasury of the corporation to assist in the maintenance of streets.

During the year Brockville installed a "Great White Way" on its main thoroughfare, and considerably improved the lighting system of the whole town. The department has cut the prices of gas and electricity in two under public ownership. The capital cost is being reduced annually out of the revenue.

Perfect comfort! Dr. Vernon's cushion sole boots for men or women. "Buy Red Rose Cream" at Gibson's, Dutton's.

### LABOR LEGISLATION ASKED OF GOVERNMENT

### James Walters Headed the Deputation.

### VARIOUS AMENDMENTS

### TO INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES AND IMMIGRATION ACTS.

### Were Outlined As Being Necessary

### —Z. A. Lash, Toronto Thinks the Government Should Outline Its Permanent Naval Policy.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Many important requests for labor legislation were presented to Premier Borden and his cabinet ministers by a deputation representing the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. The labor men represented over 85,000 trade unionists in the dominion of Canada. The deputation was headed by James Walters, of Ottawa, president of the congress.

Among the measures proposed were amendments to the industrial disputes investigation act were proposed to offset the decision of the Nova Scotia judge, which was the outcome of the photo engravers' strike.

Legislation was asked to make the union label a legalized trade mark to protect the position of fair wages on government contracts was thoroughly covered.

The premier and his ministers discussed the various questions with the labor men.

### Should Outline Policy

Toronto, Jan. 5.—"I think the government should outline the permanent policy during the coming session of parliament," said Z. A. Lash, K.C., L.L.D., a resident of Toronto, practically all his life, leader of the bar, and an outstanding figure in financial circles, in an address on "The Navy Question," before members of the Canadian Club at luncheon today.

"They should have it discussed in the house and in the press and country. They should treat the subject as a national one, outside of party politics, and they should be free to consider impartially all suggestions which may be made whether by opposition or by their own supporters, having in view only the lasting interests of Canada, the ship, and then submit it to the people."

### MURDER OF A CHILD

### A Cold-Blooded Deed by a Jewess In Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—One of the strangest and most inexplicable cases of child murder and attempted suicide occurred this morning when Ruby, the five-months-old baby of A. McCaul, was the victim of a brutal, cold-blooded murder.

The alleged murderer, Miriam Kohnkoff, a Russian Jewess, thirty-two years of age, is now lying in a dying condition in the general hospital, as the result of swallowing over four ounces of carbolic acid, said to have been administered by her own hand.

As Mrs. McCaul's nephew was watching the carriage up and down the hallway, during the mother's absence, the boy claims that Mrs. Kohnkoff rushed from her room muttering incoherently, and before he could realize what she intended doing snatched the baby from the carriage and with a bottle in her hand ran to the baby's room.

She is alleged to have swung the baby high above her head and dashed it with great force to the floor of the bath room, killing it instantly.

Mrs. Alter, a neighbor, rushed to the baby and gathered it up in her arms, and hurried to her own apartments. In the meantime the Kohnkoff woman had re-entered her own room, where she was found a few moments later by neighbors summoned to the house by the screams of Mrs. Alter. The woman was lying on the floor, her face and mouth badly burned by carbolic acid. The police say she is insane. Other people are describing it as a religious murder.

### DISTRICT DASHES

### News Clipped From Our Many Exchanges.

George Steele, Smith Falls, is dead, after three months' illness.

Smith's Falls had a \$1,000 fire in the Central public school on Friday. At Cape Vincent, N.Y., Jan. 2nd, Fred H. Cooper, Watertown, and Miss Rose Gamble, were married.

Last week Robert Jackson, Morven, sold at Napanee, to F. A. Parker, a little over two tons of Alaska seed, which brought him \$550.

Mrs. Ryder, mother of Mrs. T. A. Quinn, Newburgh, was removed to her home as Verona, on Christmas. She is fast recovering from her recent illness.

The municipal elections in Newburgh resulted in Joseph Paul, councillor, Dr. M. I. Bosman, and Messrs W. W. Adams, Robert Douglass and Peter Fairbairn.

On Dec. 23rd Miss Ella F., only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Davis, Greenbush, was married to Herbert H., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt, Frankville.

Perfect comfort! Dr. Vernon's cushion sole boots for men or women. "Buy Red Rose Cream" at Gibson's, Dutton's.



MISS JESSIE EVELYN MCCANN. The young settlement worker who disappeared from her Brooklyn home just a month ago, was Sunday given up by the sea.

### LEFT HIS WIFE TO FREEZE ON PRAIRIE

### Woman's Feet Amputated as Result of Husband's Cruelty in West.

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—An order-in-council has been passed relieving from home-stayed duties, Mrs. Anna A. Haven. The woman was deserted by her husband after he had put her out of the house near Moose Jaw one night. She was compelled to live most of the night in the open. Both her feet were frozen and she had to have them amputated.

Friends provided artificial limbs, and she cannot complete her duties on the homestead.

### THE DAILY BRITISH WHIG IS ON SALE AT THE FOLLOWING CITY STORES

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- Clark, J. W. & Co. 250 King St.
- Collie Book Store 100 Princess St.
- Walter's Grocery 250 King St.
- Walter's Grocery, Cor. Princess & Alfred
- Frontenac Hotel 250 King St.
- Shaw's Drug Store 250 King St.
- McCauley's Book Store 100 Princess St.
- McCauley's Cigar Store 250 King St.
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- McCauley's Grocery 250 King St.
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### BORN.

BELOW—On Dec. 29th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pajow, John St., a daughter.

### MARRIED.

MURRAY—MONTGOMERY—At Kingston, Dec. 31, 1913, by the Rev. Mr. Macgillivray, Sara D. Murray, eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Murray, of Oshawa, Ont., and Mr. Arthur Montgomery, of Belleville.

### DIED.

FITZGERALD—In Kingston, Jan. 4th, 1914, Margaret Fitzgerald. Funeral will take place from her daughter's residence, by the Rev. Mr. Macgillivray, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, at St. Mary's cathedral, where a solemn Mass will be sung for the repose of her soul. Montreal and Ottawa papers please copy.

KELOW—In the Kingston General Hospital, Dec. 31, 1913, Mrs. Margaret Kelow, aged 72 years. Funeral from James Reid's undertaking parlors, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, to Catawag cemetery.

KENNEDY—At Hotel Dieu, Kingston, Jan. 4th, 1914, Patrick Kennedy, of Portsmuir. Funeral will leave his late residence Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, to the Church of the Good Thief, where a solemn Mass will be sung for the repose of his soul. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

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