

Collier's Toggery
15% Discount
Allowed to clear the bal-
ance of our
OVERCOATS

The Daily British Whig

Collier's Toggery
15% Discount
Allowed to clear the bal-
ance of our
OVERCOATS

YEAR 86: No. 283.

KINGSTON, ONTARIO, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1919

LAST EDITION.

HARTLEY DEWART NOT SATISFIED

With the Announcement of Premier Drury
Over Speakership.

MAYOR MACBRIDE'S VIEW

OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ALLEGED
POLITICAL JUGGLING

He Claims it to be a Mistake for the
U.F.O. to go Outside its Own Elec-
ted Members for Ministers.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—Hartley Dewart, Liberal Leader, is not satisfied with the announcement of Premier Drury to have Nelson Parliament, Liberal M.P.E., named as Speaker of the next Legislature.

H. H. Dewart when seen as to the statement of Mr. Parliament that he had not entered into the negotiations (for the Speakership) without the knowledge of Mr. Dewart, said:

"This is not putting the matter fairly. Mr. Parliament advised me on Tuesday that he expected the matter would be dealt with that day, and this was the first direct intimation from Mr. Parliament that I had. 'Subsequently he advised me that the matter would not be dealt with until Wednesday, and I promised that the matter would be laid before the Liberal members. I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Parliament saying: 'I have been named as Speaker for the new Government and have intimated my desire to accept, and would be obliged to you if you would consent to my acceptance of the same, providing, of course, my constituents say I should.'"

"The matter will no doubt be considered in due course," said Mr. Dewart. "As Liberal leader I have had no communication whatever from Mr. Drury with reference to the matter."

Mistake Says MacBride.

Mayor MacBride of Bradford, is in the city and had this statement to make:

"If the charges levelled at the new Government are true, then they have betrayed the elected representatives of both the U.F.O. and the I.L.P. There was a distinct understanding that there was to be no 'job offering' or other 'political juggling.' I sincerely hope they are not true, and prefer to suspend judgment until more authentic information is at hand. It was a great mistake to have ever permitted men who were not elected by the people to take over and direct the arrangements for the formation of a Government. There were men among the U.F.O. elected members quite capable of giving just as capable judgment as the present incumbents, and from what I know of them they would not have resorted to such tactics."

SHOULD TURN DEAF EAR TO GROTESQUE STORIES

Montreal Paper's Counsel in
Regard to Sensational
Recession of Lyall.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—In connection with the sensational recession of Lyall common stock to 97 to-day, a fall of 88 points within a month, the Gazette says:

"To spread broadcast unfounded rumors affecting the quoted value of a security is equally as vicious and reprehensible as to circulate absurd reports calculated to enhance its price. From the holders of Lyall common stock would do well to turn a deaf ear to the many grotesque stories afloat in market circles, and, if possible, avoid precipitate action until the situation becomes more clarified through some official statement as to the condition of affairs prevailing. Professional traders, too, might refrain in the interval from taking undue advantage of the situation.

"If the inventor of the motor has disagreed with his associates in the enterprise, it is safe to assume that the company is well protected in its possession of the patents and other properties pertaining to the experiment.

"It is also possible to state that the report that the vice-president of Lyall Construction, J. B. Caine, has severed his connection with the company, or is about to do so, is as untrue as most of the other rumors in circulation recently."

WILL TAX EX-KAISER

If He Has Bought Permanent House
at Doorn.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
The Hague, Dec. 6.—The Dutch Parliament, yesterday, discussed the question of former Emperor William's permanent residence in Holland in connection with the possibility of forcing him to pay income tax. In answer to a question, the minister of finance said that if the former kaiser really had been permitted to buy a house at Doorn, for a permanent residence, the government would undoubtedly tax him as a resident of Holland.

O.H.A. Annual Meeting

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Toronto, Dec. 6.—Hockey representatives from four provinces are attending the thirtieth annual meeting of the Ontario Hockey Association this morning. R. N. Glover, Peterboro, is presiding. All principal officers have been filled by acclamation. About sixty-five teams are expected to compete in the three series this winter.

A Fredericton, N.B., despatch says that the Milton colliery miners voted Friday night to strike.

NOTE TO GERMANY TO SIGN AT ONCE

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Paris, Dec. 6.—According to the Excelsior, Germany will be called upon in a rigorous note which the Supreme Council will complete to-day to yield immediately to the Allied demand that the protocol of the treaty be signed.

The newspaper says it has reliable information that Washington has advised Berlin to adopt a more conciliatory attitude.

If ratification is not completed by December 31st, says the Echo de Paris, certain clauses of the pact will be rendered impracticable and the Allies will be obliged to submit a new protocol, causing further delay.

IT IS HOLY GROUND WHERE HEROES SLEEP

Visitors to the Battlefields Must
Revere the Dead, Says
Rudyard Kipling.

London, Dec. 6.—Rudyard Kipling, on behalf of the Imperial War Graves Commission, has written a solemn appeal to those visiting or intending to visit, the French and Flanders fronts, to observe reverence for the dead.

In part he writes: "It should be remembered that this is holy ground, consecrated in every part by the lives of men, and for that reason not to be run over with levity. It is inevitable that the handling of such multitudes of sightseers as are expected next year must be managed along ordinary tourist lines, so it rests with the individual tourist to have respect for the spirit that lies upon that land of desolations, and to walk through it with reverence.

"It is said there is a tendency on the part of some visitors to forget this obligation. Nothing would be gained by giving specific instances of what, after all, is more in the nature of unthinking carelessness than intentional disrespect, but the Imperial War Graves Commission has asked me to express our earnest hope that all who visit the battle areas will bear in mind that at every step they are in the presence of those dead through the merit of whose sacrifice they enjoy their present life and whatever measure of freedom is theirs to-day."

JELICOE AT TORONTO

British Fleet Hero Receives an Enthusiastic Reception.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Toronto, Dec. 6.—Viscount Jellicoe of Scapa Flow, with Lady Jellicoe and the members of their party, on board the British Dominions, arrived here this morning, and received an enthusiastic reception. The distinguished visitors were driven to the residence of George Beardmore where various reception committees waited on them and advised to present their respects and addresses of welcome and appreciation. In the afternoon Lady Jellicoe was the guest of Mrs. Lionel Clark, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor, and the Admiral delivered an address at Massey Hall. The address will be followed by a review of naval cadets and other bodies, and there will be a dinner at King Edward hotel to-night.

POST-WAR PROFITEERING

Paris Rag-picker is Now Worth Over
a Million Francs.

Paris, Dec. 6.—Among those who have risen from a comparatively humble position to considerable wealth during the recent past in this city is a rag and bone dealer, who formerly gained a meagre livelihood by picking over garbage boxes before doors among the streets during the early morning. He bought a large number of waterproof coats for 2,000 francs at a liquidation sale of American army stocks and made a profit on the resale of 160,000 francs. This sum he invested in further purchases from the liquidated stocks, buying boots, shoes and blankets. As a result of his business acumen he now has a bank account of over 1,000,000 francs.

HOW'S THIS FOR BEEF?

\$2.62 Per Pound, But Then it is For
Champion Steer.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—At the auction sale of prize winning cattle at the International Livestock Exposition yesterday the single champion steer brought \$2.52 a pound, against \$2.50 last year, establishing a new record. The grand champion carload of fifteen head sold at \$45 per hundred weight, compared with \$50 a year ago.

Junior's Lad, the grand champion steer, was bought at auction by Mousel Brothers, of Cambridge, Neb., at \$2.62 per pound, or a total price of \$2,685.50.

ROMANIA HAS TROUBLE

In Vicinity of Hermannstadt Many
Arrests Made.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Vienna, Dec. 6.—Roumania is experiencing troubles in the occupied regions of Transylvania, according to Bucharest despatches, which declare that the situation is serious, particularly in the vicinity of Hermannstadt. It is reported that 50,000 Roumanian soldiers have been recalled from the Hermannstadt district. It appears that in Hermannstadt an independent government had been set up. All members were arrested by Roumanian soldiers. Two hundred and sixty-eight arrests are being made, including many clergymen.

Winnipeg Canadian Club.
Winnipeg, Dec. 6.—Lieut.-Col. J. A. Gunn, C.B., O.B.E., was elected president of the Canadian Club of Winnipeg at the annual meeting.

LORD LEVERHULME, ENGLAND'S LARGEST EMPLOYER.



ARE AT SEA ON TARIFF QUESTION

The Canadian Manufacturers Do Not Know
What is Coming.

It is Feared That the Government
May Go to a Degree That Would
be Considered Radical.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Canadian manufacturers confess to being in a quandary as to the tariff situation. How far the Government will be prepared to go when tackling the question causes much doubt, and they are unable to get any satisfaction on the question. When the budget speech was delivered by Sir Thomas White last summer a tariff inquiry in the interval between sessions was promised, but the change in the portfolio of finance and the extra session occupying all the fall session necessitated a variation in this programme. Manufacturers who came here last week to oppose a ministerial inquiry were given to understand that having been promised it would go ahead, the conditions as they have developed have stated that it would have been as well if such an undertaking had not been given. The manufacturers' suggestion for an advisory tariff commission was received with considerable favor. Since then there has been no more or development, and if inquiry is to take place obviously it cannot be till after the new year.

The manufacturing interests are at sea as to what to expect. The strong western movement for lower tariffs is accentuated by the success of the farmer's party in Ontario, and the declaration of the Premier of Ontario that the tariff is bound to be the dominant issue in the next election, intensifies the unrest. When Sir Thomas White was Minister of Finance he was regarded as a sort of sheet anchor who would permit revision and adjustment so far, but no farther. Apparently there is a suspicion now that instead of its western followers and catering to the low tariff elements, the Government when it revises the tariff may go to a degree that would be considered radical.

In the wake of successful business in war time many manufacturers are in "easy street" for the time being, but with the agitations that are in progress and the lack of assurance as to what the Government will do or not do, conditions in many industries are described as unsettled and apprehensive.

BIG WESTERN MOVEMENT

FOR LOWER TARIFFS IS A DIS-
TURBING FEATURE.

It is Feared That the Government
May Go to a Degree That Would
be Considered Radical.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Canadian manufacturers confess to being in a quandary as to the tariff situation. How far the Government will be prepared to go when tackling the question causes much doubt, and they are unable to get any satisfaction on the question. When the budget speech was delivered by Sir Thomas White last summer a tariff inquiry in the interval between sessions was promised, but the change in the portfolio of finance and the extra session occupying all the fall session necessitated a variation in this programme. Manufacturers who came here last week to oppose a ministerial inquiry were given to understand that having been promised it would go ahead, the conditions as they have developed have stated that it would have been as well if such an undertaking had not been given. The manufacturers' suggestion for an advisory tariff commission was received with considerable favor. Since then there has been no more or development, and if inquiry is to take place obviously it cannot be till after the new year.

The manufacturing interests are at sea as to what to expect. The strong western movement for lower tariffs is accentuated by the success of the farmer's party in Ontario, and the declaration of the Premier of Ontario that the tariff is bound to be the dominant issue in the next election, intensifies the unrest. When Sir Thomas White was Minister of Finance he was regarded as a sort of sheet anchor who would permit revision and adjustment so far, but no farther. Apparently there is a suspicion now that instead of its western followers and catering to the low tariff elements, the Government when it revises the tariff may go to a degree that would be considered radical.

In the wake of successful business in war time many manufacturers are in "easy street" for the time being, but with the agitations that are in progress and the lack of assurance as to what the Government will do or not do, conditions in many industries are described as unsettled and apprehensive.

VACCINATION FOLLOWED DEATH

Toronto Child Was in Perfect Health
Before Application.

Toronto, Dec. 6.—One more death of a child after vaccination has been brought to light. Beatrice Nicholls, aged 10 years, died at the residence of her uncle, Geo. Nicholls, 67 Fairview avenue, Friday evening, November 21st. She was vaccinated about two weeks before, and was previously a perfectly normal child in every respect. She was at school on the Monday of the week in which she died, but complained of headache. Tuesday she was up and about, but the same night fell into a stupor and did not afterwards regain consciousness. She was attended by Dr. Clendenning and Dr. Cavan. Dr. Clendenning said the condition resembled typhoid fever, but there was no typhoid. Dr. Cavan asked if she had had any fall. She had not, nor had she previously complained of any illness. The doctors gave the cause of death in the certificate as meningitis, and would not say that vaccination was or was not the cause of the trouble.

TERENCE CORRIGAN'S DEATH

He was a Pioneer Railroader, Kept
Hotel at Grafton.

Cobourg, Dec. 6.—The oldest resident of Haldimand township, Terence Corrigan, passed away on Tuesday night at the home of his son, Thomas Corrigan, Grafton, eight miles east of here. He was almost a century old, and had been in the many years by the Grand Trunk Railway, his term of service dating back to the time that the rails of the first steam railway, the G.T.R., were laid. He was also well-known by the travelling public, as he for some time kept a hotel at the G.T.R. depot at Grafton. He retired to spend his last days with his son. He was a Roman Catholic.

KILLED WIFE IN ERROR

Mistaken for Burglar in Darkness
of Bedroom.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 6.—Mistaken for a burglar early yesterday, Mrs. Florence Gray, thirty-seven years old, was shot and killed by her husband in a fashionable Millvale apartment house. The husband, Robert Gray, head of a rubber manufacturing firm, was awakened at 3:30 o'clock by a noise in his bedroom. He saw a person standing in the doorway and fired. A woman shrieked and upon investigation he found it was his wife. She died almost instantly.

When Gray was arrested he told the police he was only half awake and fired hastily upon seeing the form move in the doorway.

Suffering from Spanish Child.
Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 6.—"One of the biggest perils we are facing today is the passing of the old-fashioned American home, with its paternal authority," said H. W. Gibson, Y.M.C.A. secretary of boys' work for Massachusetts at Rhode Island, in an address to "Y" workers here.

"We are suffering from the Spanish child. If there ever is a time in the life of a boy when he needs his father, it is when he puts on his first pair of long pants."

VIRTUAL FAMINE IN MANY STATES

Chicago, Dec. 6.—The mines that have been idle virtually all of the time since the strike started, Nov. 1st, continued so today, although for two days there have been reports of the return to work of small numbers of men in scattered localities. Production had increased somewhat, it appeared, but in much of the nation the reserve stocks were being reduced so rapidly that a virtual famine existed in many communities of a number of states, and drastic action was taken, by railroad and fuel officials.

RESIGNS HER POST AS HOSPITAL HEAD

Beaverbrook's Sister Leaves
Rutland Institution Following
Flag Incident.

Rutland, Vt., Dec. 6.—Miss Annie A. Aitken, superintendent of the Rutland Hospital, resigned yesterday, following an investigation begun yesterday into an alleged anti-American incident which occurred at the hospital recently.

Miss Aitken, who is a sister of Baron Beaverbrook, was said to have supported Miss Anna McLane, of Woodstock, N.B., a student nurse at the institution, who was charged by other nurses with having made remarks derogatory to the American flag. At the first session yesterday of a hearing before an Aldermanic investigating committee, it was testified by Miss Josephine Niles, a nurse, that the picture would be a pretty one "if it were not for that dirty red, white and blue flag."

American nurses at the institution insisted at the time that Nurse McLane apologize and salute the flag. They reported the affair to Superintendent Aitken, who, it was testified, instead of ordering Miss McLane to apologize, reprimanded them for going to the nurse's room. They were reprimanded also, according to the testimony, for bringing an American flag to a table at which Miss McLane was seated.

The incident caused a disturbance in the hospital at the time, the American nurses walking out on strike overnight in an attempt to enforce an apology from Miss McLane. They returned, three of the nurses testified, with the understanding paper, the younger members favoring a very bold Irish policy, while the Irish Unionist faction continues to be unalterably opposed to Home Rule in any form.

Lord Herbert Cecil and Sir Edward Carson lead the respective groups. There is much conjecture which will capture Andrew Bonar Law as head of the whole Unionist party.

"It is clear," concludes the Mail, "that the House of Commons is ahead of the government in its desire for an Irish settlement, and would agree to proposals of a broad character."

GERMANS DEFEATED IN BALTIC STATES

Now Being Attacked on Three
Sides, and Evacuation Can-
not Be Long Delayed.

London, Dec. 6.—Germany's adventure in the Baltic States may be considered ended militarily, according to a war office summary of the week's events, issued today.

The situation of the Germans, who are being attacked on three sides by the Letts and Estonians, is critical, says the summary, "and it is hard to see how they can longer delay evacuation. Their retreat is virtually cut off, but it is assumed that they will be allowed to withdraw."

"Another theatre of potential grave possibilities is Turkestan, where Bolshevik activities are reported to be increasing. The Turkish government has sent a commissary to Meru (Russian Trans-Caspia), and it is also stated that Lenin (the Bolshevik premier) has despatched some German orientalist from Moscow to spread Bolshevik propaganda among a number of these have gone to India, Persia and the far east.

"There are now no hostile forces between the Bolsheviks and Afghans, where the Bolsheviks are spreading their propaganda assiduously."

ADVISES GERMANY TO STAND BY WORD

Former Chancellor Urges His
Country to Carry Out
Treaty.

Paris, Dec. 6.—Germany should stand by her word and carry out the terms of the Versailles treaty, according to Philipp Scheidemann, former German chancellor, an interview with whom is published in the Echo de Paris. No questions, the surrender of prisoners of war, and the turning over for trial of German officers and men accused of crimes during the war, make for strained relations at present, the former chancellor says.

"The first not irreparable, and will not influence the future," he continues, "but the one concerning the officers and men is particularly difficult. It will be necessary for us to arrest them ourselves and then deliver them. There is a hateful thought and nothing could be more repugnant, but still we have signed the treaty."

Herr Scheidemann closes by expressing confidence that returns between France and Germany will become normal in future.

Breaks Red Offensive.
London, Dec. 6.—A communication issued by General Denikin, commander of the anti-Bolshevik forces in South Russia, claims that Denikin has broken the Red offensive in the region of Tsaritsyn, that his troops are now advancing, and that in the counter-offensive he has captured 100 prisoners.

Deny Tyrell is Ambassador.
London, Dec. 6.—Official denial was given to a report that Sir William G. Tyrell has been appointed ambassador to Berlin.

MRS. THOMPSON NOT TO HANG

The Condemned Woman's Sentence Com-
muted to Life Imprisonment.

PRISONER WAS OVERJOYED

WHEN TOLD THE NEWS BY THE
JAIL MATRON.

She Will Be Removed to the Port-
smouth Penitentiary—Many Peti-
tions Were Presented For Clemency.

The sentence of death passed upon Mrs. Lovice Thompson, of Kennebec township, for the murder of her baby has been commuted to life imprisonment.

Word to this effect was received by Sheriff Dawson late on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Thompson was removed to the Portsmouth penitentiary. The accused, while expecting that she would be relieved, was overjoyed when the news was told to her.

The execution had been fixed for Wednesday, December 17th. Mrs. Thompson was tried at the session of the Supreme Court, held in October, and presided over by Justice Lennox. The hearing of the case commenced at 9:30 in the morning, and about 10 p.m. the jury returned a verdict of "guilty," with a strong recommendation for mercy.

Justice Lennox, after passing the death sentence, stated that he would write the Department of Justice and ask for clemency in the case of this prisoner.

Mrs. Thompson was arrested by Provincial Detective A. B. Boyd, following the finding by sectionmen of the dead body of a baby alongside the C.P.R. tracks, a short distance from the railway station at Sharnbrook. The body was found on the morning of March 1st, 1919. Detective Boyd had been in this district, working on the Parham shooting case, and while here was notified of this case, and went to work on it. He found that Mrs. Thompson had given birth to a child at the General Hospital, and as a result of his investigation the woman was placed under arrest. She was given her preliminary hearing before Magistrate Parral.

Mrs. Thompson, in her evidence, did not deny having given birth to the child, but stated that she had given the baby to a woman at the C. P. R. station, who was going to Toronto. She did not know the name of the woman.

Receiving the Word.
The news came to Sheriff Dawson in a telegram he received at 5:48 p.m., Friday, from the Under Secretary of State. The telegram stated that His Excellency the Governor-General had commuted to life imprisonment in the penitentiary at Portsmouth the death sentence passed by Justice Lennox upon Mrs. Lovice Thompson. The message further stated that the telegram would be confirmed by letter.

The jail matron notified the prisoner of the news, and she was overjoyed. She said that all along she had every confidence that the sentence would be commuted. In the Whig of Friday reference was made to the fact that the parents of Mrs. Thompson were paying a visit to their daughter at the jail. They happened to be present when the good news came, and there was a touching scene as the message from Ottawa was read.

The case of Mrs. Thompson created much sympathy, and following her trial, many petitions were prepared and signed by citizens in all walks of life, asking that the death sentence be commuted. These petitions were sent on to Ottawa, and no doubt played their part in bringing about the desired end. T. J. Rigney was counsel for Mrs. Thompson, and he put up a strong plea for clemency.

The parents of Mrs. Thompson stated that they had been praying for their daughter. Mrs. Thompson also stated that she had been praying, and that she felt confident that she would never go to the gallows.

Mrs. Smith, police matron, who stood by Mrs. Thompson all through her trial, was greatly pleased over the news from Ottawa.

Future Navy in the Air

London, Dec. 6.—Admiral Sir Percy Scott prophesied that there would be no more 27,000,000 battleships. Airplanes could travel 150 miles an hour against a battleship's fifty miles. The submarine and airplane had revolutionized naval warfare.

NEWS IN BULLETIN

The Mexican situation has been eased by the release of U. S. Consul Agent Jenkins.

Wealthy Germans are leaving the Rhine district, fearing a further advance of the Allies.

All soft coal mines in Ohio and Virginia are likely to open shortly. Many miners have accepted the proposed increase.

Canada may have to stop British credit unless the price of the pound sterling recovers.

Georges Carpentier has already signed up to fight Dempsey for the world's title.