

tion before commuting user to a pro-posal which was not quite clear. He hoped the bill would not go to the cemetery, and to avoid that fate sug-gested that it be referred to a select

gested that it be referred to a select committee. The minister got into grips with Col. Sam Hughes, who resented an insinua-tion that he had failed to draw the at-tention of the house to the grievances, of workmen in his constituency. Col. Hughes pointed out that he had done so, but thought even that was unneces-sary, in view of the number of fair wage officers the department of fair wage officers the department of fair

In making a reference to Mr. O'Dono-Donoghue was meant. "Oh. O'Donoghue, "the O'Donoghue," the gentleman who in and out of the session had been making himself the tool of the department of labor," re-Approach of Winter Makes Desperate the Men Out of Work, and Nonplied Col. Hughes. J. W. Maddin . described D. J. Union Men Are O'Denoghue as a henchman of the Lab-Assaulted. eral party.

Wack wrote Dr. Cook so long ago as November 30, that he must beg him to

NOT PARTY GOVERNMENT.

Speech in Reichstag.

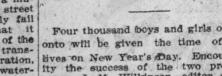
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HEAVY FINES.

BERLIN, Dec. 9 .- Dr. Bethmenn-

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Freshmen. 8.-The plans of the Lowell of Harthe establishmen orles, as outlin and of overseers

rector of the University of Copenhagen, rector of the University of Copenhagen. said to-night that the charges publish-ed to-day in The New York Dimes against Dr. Frederick A. Cook, are bas-ed on pure fiction. Nevertheless, he added, we would accept the offer to ex-amine the documents prepared by Loose end Dunkie, which The Times has egreed to send to Copenhagen. New Year's Day was chosen on ac-ount of the difficulty of getting wait-ers on Christmes, The Intention is not only to feed the boys and girls, but to furnish them with entertainment dur-ing the rest of the afternoon. Lieutenant-Governor Gibson, Sir Jas. Whitney and others have consented to be present and give addresses and the speeches will be followed by a program walter Lonsdale, secretary to Dr. speeches will be followed by a program of music, dahce and fantern pictures. ed to send to Copenhagen. Cook, who brought the explorer's re-

Cook, who brought the explorer's re-cords to Copenhagen, said that the pa-pers delivered to the university contain-ed the original observations made by Dr. Cook during the expedition, without alterations. terations. Loose and Dunkle, Mr. Lonsdale add-hoped that those who gave last year will double their subscriptions, while the mate was frozen to death after The mate was frozen to death after the mode and the subscriptions while ed, were guests at the Waldorf-Astoria

sen, director of the astronomical ob-pervatory; Dr. C. F. Pechule, astron-MORINE ON OUR NAVY omer attached to the observatory; Gustav Holm, explorer; Prof. A. B. Yensen, president of the school of

Thinks It Will Not Be of Much Service

navigation; Dr. Royder, director of the to Britain. Hon. A. B. Morine was the speaker meteorological office, and Dr. F. A. Engstrom, director of the Lundok Ob- at the meeting of the Borden Club last

Cook's Lawyer Has Withdrawn From policy of the Dominion Government.

His Service. Dr. Frederick A. Cook's personal law-yer, Henry Wellington Wack, has sev-ered relations with his client. Mr. Wack refused to-night to confirm or deny his withdrawal, but it can be af-furmed to the orders of the Canadian Par-ilament was incomprehensible and the firmed on competent authority that Mr. declaration from the same statesman that should England's supremacy be

the first ship launched." The govern-to the county council that he is denied ment was only giving an opportunity access to the vault, but the councillors.

corruption; he said. W. H. Price, president of the club, was in the chair.

Inquest on Dead Infant.

stag torday. He set forth that the imperial government's policy was to stand aloof from partles and groups of par-Coroner R. J. Wilson opened an inquest at the morgue last night on the ties; in short, that the government of body of a female infant, who died Wednesday morning. It was left with John Hunter of 524 Delaware-avenue, August Germany was not a government by The recent political crisis over the 30 by a girl, said to be the daughter of taxation bill had made no change in well-to-do Owen Sound people, on the understanding that \$5 per week was to

be paid. The only payment was \$3. many into two political camps, but the existence of such a dualism was a fic-tion for the inquest will be continued Wednes-day next. Radicalism strove to divide all Ger-

Shoplifter Arrested.

Germany, the chancellor affirmed, Mrs. Mary Burnell, 30 years, 28 Ben Lomand-street, was arrested yesterday both, at home and abroad, to satisfy afternoon by Detective Guthrie, chargthe people, to the end that their work, the people, to the end that their work, either material or intellectual, might be undisturbed by disorders or experi-tionents. of dress goods and a pattern.

Dies in the Jail.

Daniel Squib, an old man, died in HAMTLTON, Dec. 9.—(Special)— Daniel Squib, an old man, died in William Wall was fined \$125 and Dell Toronto Jail yesterday from apoplexy. Willburn \$100 for selding liquor at An-Dr. W. J. McCollum will open an inment's garments. quest at 10.30 this morning. caster, which is under local optino.

without food and it is feared that they may either starve or freeze to death before resourd, even if they escape be-ing drowned, for high seas are running on the lake.

One of the crew fell overboard when attempting to enter the lifeboat, but was later pulled out of the water and

ed, were guests at the Waldorf-Astoria during Dr. Cook's stay there, but the explorer's acquaintance with them was light. The committee which will examine Dr. Cook's records is composed of the following: President, Prof. Blis Strom-the astronomical ob-The Clarion was a 1700

freighter. She was bound from troit to Erie, Pa., to lay up. NO CASH, NO KEY

night, and his subject was the naval Essex County Council Dispute a \$3.00 Account.

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WINDSOR, Dec. 9 .- (Special.) -Essex County Council is disputing an account of \$3 put in by Ezra Iler for manufacturing a brass key. The key was made to fit a lock on

the vault in which are deposited valu-November 30, that he must beg him to November 30, that he must beg him to seek legal advice elsewhere. Mr. Wack said to-night that he had no idea where Dr. Cook is, but perso:-ally was inclined to believe he is abroad. that should England's supremacy be challenged the daughter states would meaning. "If we should wait till England was challenged," said Mr. Morine, "she challenged," said Mr. Morine, "she would be conquered or she would be the key. Cleary has sent a latter of complaint Cleary has sent a latter of complaint

German Chancellor Makes His Maiden to carry out a program of graft and are not inclined to settle. Instead they are talking of carry-

ing the dispute to the government with a view of having fler, who is one of the turnkeys at the jail, dismissed from bis position, unless he turns over the key without charge.

STEALS SOLDIER'S UNIFORM

SIEALS SULDIER'S UNIFORM Rejected by Recruiting Officer, Two Men Attempt to Get Even. William Brown, 23 years, no home, William Brown, 23 years, no home, Rejected by Recruiting Officer, Two

and Henry Berry, 32 years, 39 Gould-street, were selzed with a mad desire to bleed and die for their country; whereupon they hied themselves to Stanley barracks, where they offered their bodies and souls in service, but were rejected. were rejected. Stinging under the lash of chagrin, they were leaving the fort when they espied a uniform which they annexed, but were unfortunately spied by Lance

Corp. Glover, who held them until Policeman Lily arrived to convey them to the cells, where they were lodged and charged with theft of the governmore and more out of touch with democratic sentiment. There was a time when it more closely falfilled the functions and purpose of a Sec-ond Chamber, and even yet it holds peers who by reason of their ability, knowledge and experience are admirably fitted to perform its proper duties. Their interposition gives to important House of Lords debates the quality and temper that makes them unexcelled in any other delib-erative body themout the civilized world. But unfortu even largely of men of their stamp. As now constituted it is simply, to use the apt phrase of the late Lord Goschen, "a committee of the Carl-ton Club," the headquarters of the British Tory party. Year by year the number of LAberal peers has diminished, until to-day they are but a handful of the 616 active members of the hereditary house.

This British political crisis is the first of the pitched battles for moral, political and social reform which, unless all omens be falsified, will distinguish the twentieth century. It comes now thru the action of the House of Lords, which for fifty years has steadily been passing more and more out of touch with democratic sentiment. There was a

Even at that, had the House of Lords maintained, even to a limited extent, the principle that should guide a revising Chamber, the question of its reform would not have become the live issue it is now. Ever since the general election of 1868, when the disestablishment of the Church of England in Ireland was the critical issue, the peers have set themselves to destroy and mutilate Liberal measures. Not one of the numerous reform proposals associated with Mr. Gladstone's various governments escaped drastic amendment all but invariably in the interests of the landed and privileged classes.

Contrariwise the House of Lords has never failed to pass legisla-tion, however reactionary, proposed by the Conservative party, of which it is the epitome. Hence the growing spirit of indignation against the hereditary house in the ranks of British reformers, the burning sense of injury, the increasing demand that the whole strength of the British democracy be turned against a body of men who are nothing if not partisan. Hence, too, the instant response that has come from every sec-tion of the Reform party and the flerce joy with which the call to battle has been received.

If the Lords have done nothing else they have certainly succeeded

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WINNIPEG HAS BAD FIRE

LABOR MEN ON TUBES Independent .. Party Discuss. Civic Transportation Problem.

IN "30 BELOW" WEATHER

Six Storey Furniture Factory and Warehouse Gutted and Surdiscussion generally was favorable to the tubes. rounding Property Damaged.

Bruce, "to relieve the congested traf-WINNIPEG, Dec. 9.- (Special.) -Fire fic on Yonge and Queen-streets." A resolution was adopted endorsing the company.

public ownership and making that storey building, of W. B. Sterling Co., form.

The following were the officers elect-ed: President, M. Sinclair; vice-presiat Fort and Graham-streets, causing loss of about \$190,000. Smoke and water loss also damaged dent, J. E. Stewart; secretary, H. B. Woodrow; treasurer, F. Evans; execu-

the Loslie Furniture Co. warehouse, tive committee, J. Bruce, J. Gibbons end several retail stores facing on Main street, Smith and Bruce, anchitects, and Martel and Shewan, liquor deal-ers, temants on the ground floor also suffered tosses.

The insurance is \$50,000 on building, and \$15,000 on the sterling stock. The fire started in the fifth floor, and rapidly spread to the sixth floor, by Hon. Mr. Fielding that no tempor- a cheque in payment.

the floating of a loan at an early date.

George Gibbons at Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—(Special.)—The Canadian Chub was addressed here this evening by George C. Gibbons of Lon-don, chairman of the International Wa-

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No Relief to Labor.

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HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 9.--(Special.)--Trouble is brewing in the colliery dis-tricts of Cape Breton, where for the past five months two thousand U at W past five months two thousand U.M.W. sent form. The bill might be amen miners have been out on strike, de-manding recognition from the Dominion Coal Co.

Daily disturbances occur and with the approach of winter weather serious results seem inimitanent. results seem imminent. While driving home to-day Angus McLean, a miner at No. 3 pit, narrow-ly escaped losing his life. He was sitting in a wagon with two other men when a shot was fired from the side of the road, which struck McLean on the side of the head, inflicting a serious

the road, which struck inclean of the side of the head, inflicting a serious wound. There was a disturbance at Dominion Colliery this morning, when a crowd of about 300 strikers assembled at the mater and with stoks in their hands. Ralph Smith described the bill as im-

gates and with sticks in their hands possible. He would support any prin-threatened the men as they went is to ciple of an eight-hour day which would

bring equality, but it was impossible At the first meeting of the season of the Independent Labor Party at the Labor Temple last night a discussion took place on the tube question. The discussion generally was favorable to blood shed. It appears as if the strikers are des-anything eligibric drag

Cowan Condemns. "Something must be done," said John along thru the cold weather, and are G. H. Cowan, Vancouver, came out

making a last effort to persuade the men who are still at work to come out with them in order to effectually tie up the company. G. H. Cowan, valued, can be out as an eight-hour day man, and con-demned both the mfilster of labor and Ralph Smith, for attempting to shelve the question and refer it to a commit-

tee. He asked Mr. Verville to challenge public ownership and making that principle a plank of the party's plat-DREW THE SMALLEST CHEQUE the second reading of his bill to a vote. J. D. Reid described the labor depart-

ment as a fake troop beginning to end, and the minister of labor as working against the labor men of the country. G. H. Barnard, Victoria, B. C., de-Windsor Grocer Makes One for 2 1-2 WINDSOR, Dec. 9,-(Special.) - A Mousseau, local grocer, thinks he holds the champiopship for drawing the Government's Changed Views.

Mousseau, local grover, thinks he house and John Corcoran. NO NEW LOANS. OTTAWA, Dec. 9.—(Special.)—In the house to-day Mr. Foster was informed said that the government to-day was

Outs.

WINDSOR, Dec. 9,- (Special.) --

by Hon. Mr. Fielding that he temper ary loans have been negotiated by the government since the beginning of the present session. Press reports to the effect that loans Press reports to the effect that loans is account keing debited three cents, bit did in 1907. He had asked at that time that all matters touching dis-putes between employers and employes should be referred to a committee, for it was only fair that both sides should

have been heard before legislation Boy Struck Down by Auto. should have been dealt with by the Elmore Harris, 235 Bodkin-avenue, parliament. However, the gove was struck by an auto, owned and drivat that time replied that it had all

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don, chairman of the International Wa-terways Commission. There was a large attendance, mem-bers being present from Galt, Preston, Hespeler and Waterlaa. Mr. Gibbons expressed his firm be-lief that all great issues between Can-anda and U. S. can be settled by means of permanent boards such as waterways commission.

unprecedentedly heavy snow fail for this time of the year, and a month of



