

## THREE LIBERALS WERE RETURNED

### IN BY-ELECTION HELD IN ONTARIO

Snowstorm in the East—Bank of Montreal to Increase Capital Stock.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—The Liberals carried all three seats at the by-elections today. The results were:

North Norfolk—Little (Liberal) defeated Snider (Conservative) by 55.

North Perth—Brown (Liberal) defeated Monteith (Conservative) by 172, with two places to hear from.

North Grey—McKay (Liberal) defeated Boyd (Conservative) by 236, with one place to hear from.

Snowstorm.

The snowstorm which the observatory reports originated near Saskatchewan, and which is moving southeast, and covered Michigan last night, is prevailing here and promises to be general throughout Ontario and Quebec. High winds prevail, but there is no severe cold.

North Ontario Vacancy.

Berwick, Ont., Jan. 7.—The Conservative convention in North Ontario met here to-day to select a candidate to succeed the late Angus McLeod. The nomination was unanimously extended to Hon. George E. Foster.

Bank's Capital Stock.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—The directors of the Bank of Montreal at a meeting to-day decided to increase the capital stock \$100,000,000 to \$140,000,000. The bank will apply to parliament for power to divide shares at par value of \$100 instead of \$200, as at present. Stock will be issued to shareholders in the proportion of one to six at \$340 per share. The market value to-day was \$540. The par value of the shares is \$200.

REPLY TO CASTRO.

Report That Notes of Powers Have Created Feeling of Depression.

Caraques, Jan. 7.—The answer of the powers to President Castro's last proposal relative to arbitration was delivered to President Castro this afternoon by United States Minister Bowen. A meeting of the cabinet was at once called to consider these communications. It has been learned from an authoritative source that the answers of the powers delivered by Mr. Bowen this afternoon represented the views of depression in Venezuela. All sorts of rumors are current in Caracas to-night concerning President Castro's answer to the communications, but none of them are reliable.

Infringed Permits.

La Guayra, Venezuela, Jan. 7.—Fishing smacks were not allowed to leave this port yesterday evening owing to the fact that some of them had infringed their blockade permits by communicating with and purchasing goods from a sloop which had contraband of war on board.

Admiral's Tour.

Kingston, St. Vincent, Jan. 7.—Vice-Admiral Douglas, commander of the British naval forces in West Indian waters, left Port of Spain, Trinidad, to-day on board the flagship Ariadne, to inspect and provision the ships under his command which are blockading Venezuelan ports.

Germany's Attitude.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—That portion of the joint reply of the powers to Venezuela suggesting a settlement without arbitration only goes so far as to offer to treat for a settlement out of court after the payment of cash or the giving out a sufficient guarantee for the payment of debts. The German government's attitude remains as the fixed and only condition precedent to arbitration or negotiations direct for a supplementary agreement. The German government would much prefer to close up the matter by negotiations through Minister Bowen while the blockade continues, than to withdraw the blockade and adjust the claims through The Hague arbitration court.

WRECKAGE ON FIRE.

Passengers Injured in Collision Were Burned to Death.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 7.—As a result of a collision between a passenger train and the rear end of a freight train on the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania railway to-night at Cochrane station, seven men are dead, one is dying and others are injured. The passenger train in the wreck was the west Elizabeth accommodation, which left Pittsburgh at 3:30 p.m. It was on time and had a clear track, according to the signals displayed. At the siding at Cochrane it ran into the rear car of a extra freight, which had taken the switch, but failed to clear the main line. The officials of the road attribute the disaster to the failure of Patrick Quinn, the rear breakman of the freight, to stop the train in time. Quinn had failed to do so. Up to 11 p.m. Quinn had not been located. When the passenger train came along the caboose of the freight over-lapped the main track enough to catch the tender of the passenger engine, which was forced back upon the combination baggage and smoker with terrific force. The thirteen passengers were jolted against the rear end of the car in such a manner. Three of the victims were killed outright, and the other four were literally roasted to death and the two who died on the way to the hospital were so badly burned that recognition was impossible. Almost immediately after the impact, fire from the stove in the smoker communicated to the wreckage and the imprisoned victims were tortured beyond description. All of the victims were badly burned.

### ERIE RAILWAY DIRECTORS.

Some Changes Announced at Meeting in New York.

New York, Jan. 7.—The directors of the Erie Railway Company met to-day and accepted the resignation of F. B. Thomas as chairman of the board of directors; F. G. Fisher, No. 1, and the resignation of J. Middleton, secretary and second vice-president. Mr. Thomas, who is now executive head of the Lehigh Valley road, has selected Mr. Middleton as his assistant. Mr. Thomas remains in the Erie directorate. The regular semi-annual 1½ per cent. dividend on Erie first preferred was declared. The office of chairman of the board was abolished and President Underwood will assume the duties of that position. Norton B. Ream, of Chicago, takes Mr. Thomas' place in the executive committee. G. A. Richards was elected assistant to the president, and L. D. Smith, resigned as assistant secretary and David Rosman was elected to take his place.

MANY LIVES LOST.

Breaking of Ice in Austrian River Is Causing Serious Floods.

Vienna, Jan. 7.—About a score of lives have been lost in Austria, to the result of floods caused by the breaking up of the ice in the rivers, due to rains and the melting of snow in consequence of unusually mild weather.

At St. Veit there is a capsized boat and eight persons are drowned.

A washout wrecked a train at Passau. Two persons were killed and seven were injured.

Two boys while skating at Jaskasi were drowned through the breaking of the ice.

The rise in the Danube has been rapid. In South Bohemia the rivers have overflowed and threaten to flood Budweis and other towns.

### BOXER IN CUSTODY.

Arrested With Companion and Charged With Attempting to Pass "Bank of Engraving" Notes.

London, Jan. 8.—William J. Sullivan, the American boxer, better known as "Spike" Sullivan, and a companion named Charles Hausey, were arrested at a police station to-day on the charge of attempting to pass "Bank of Engraving" notes. Bail was refused. Sullivan denied all knowledge of the notes and said he had only met Harry casually at a railway station, while waiting a train which he intended to take for his training quarters.

### CHINESE AFFAIRS.

Britain and Japan Advise China to Reject Russia's Proposals.

Peking, Jan. 7.—The Russian customs negotiations are continuing. The British and Japanese representatives have advised the Chinese to reject the proposals, and the Chinese say they will do so. The Russian representative suggested modifications of the original scheme, with the object of securing control of the Manchurian customs. China's ability to resist the Russian pressure in this connection is doubtful.

### PROFIT SHARING.

United States Steel Company Employees Subscribe For Sixteen Thousand Shares.

New York, Jan. 8.—Sixteen thousand of the 25,000 shares allotted by the United States Steel Company to its employees in its profit sharing plan have already been subscribed for. J. Pierpont Morgan says he expects the remaining 9,000 shares to be subscribed within a few weeks.

### CLEVELAND FIRE.

Part of the Y. M. C. A. Building Destroyed—Damage \$100,000.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 8.—Fire to-day nearly destroyed the central building of the Y. M. C. A. at Prospect and Erie streets.

### COAL ADVANCING.

Some Anthracite Sold in New York for \$12.50 a Ton.

New York, Jan. 8.—The price of coal has been advanced to \$9.50 as a minimum, and some anthracite has been sold as high as \$12.50. A number of large dealers have consulted over the situation, and it is probable that a meeting will be held to-day to promulgate a schedule of retail prices. The independent dealers in this city and agreed not to sell coal at less than \$10 a ton to the dealers. The coal roads, it was said by some of the officials, would continue to sell at \$5 a ton.

### MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Young Man Killed His Employer's Daughter.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Albert King, 80 years old, to-day entered the home of John G. King, his former employer, and killed the three sons of Mr. King's four-year-old daughter, Helen Marian, with a razor, nearly severing the head from the body. The child died instantly. King then went into an adjoining room and killed himself with a revolver. The only person in the house at the time was a nurse with whom King was in love, and who had rejected his advances.

### CHARLES M. SCHWAB

Will Shortly Assume Duties As Head of the Steel Combination.

New York, Jan. 8.—Joseph E. Schwab, who returned recently from a visit abroad announces that his brother, Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation, has finally recovered from his recent illness, and that he intends to return to the United States early in March and resume his duties as head of the big steel combination.

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## THE PREMIER BACK AT HIS OFFICE

### CONGRATULATED ON RESTORATION TO HEALTH

Armenian Peddler Sentenced to Death  
For Murder—Lord Roberts's  
Gift to a Pensioner.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Lady Laurier arrived here last night. Sir Wilfrid was at his office early this morning and started work. A number of friends called on the Premier to congratulate him on his restoration to health. Sir Wilfrid left at noon to call on Lord Minto.

Imports Prohibited.

Jamaica has passed an order against the importing of cattle from Canada to the United States, on account of foot and mouth disease in New England.

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Halifax, N. S., Jan. 8.—Sian Azubil, the Armenian peddler who killed Syam Lumbers, at Tenny, Cape mines, on Oct. 28th, was found guilty of wilful murder last night at Windsor, and sentenced to be hanged on March 18th.

Remembered by "Bobs."

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Sergeant Patrick Clougherty, who fought India with Lord Roberts, has received a letter enclosing a £100 note from the tugboatmen as a Christmas gift. Clougherty has been on the pension list for 33 years.

Scottish Curlers.

Quebec, Jan. 8.—The Scottish curlers arrived here yesterday afternoon and have their first game to-morrow against the Quebecers, with partial success. Two rinks played at the Quebec curling club. Quebec won on both rinks on the former rink by a score of 26 to 18 and 15 to 5. The Scotchmen were successful on the Victoria rink, where they were ten ahead of the Quebec players. This morning they are playing the Quebec ladies' club a friendly match, and this afternoon play four matches. To-night they will be banqueted.

Winnipeg Clearings.

Winnipeg, Jan. 8.—The Winnipeg clearing house returns for the week ending January 8th, 1903, were: Clearings, \$75,739.34; balance not stated. For the corresponding week in 1902 the clearings were \$49,200, and in 1901, clearings, \$2,480.382.

Charged With Poisoning.

Fredericton, Jan. 8.—York County grand jury has found a true bill against Mrs. Anna Marsten, of Meductic, charged with poisoning her husband. The trial is fixed for January 27th.

BURGERS' PROPOSALS.

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Shares.

Pretoria, Transvaal, Jan. 8.—An influential meeting of burghers yesterday drafted an address for presentation to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and the legislative council, embodying the views of the leaders.

Among the recommendations are general amnesty, the maintenance of the Transvaal's pre-war regulations regarding natives, the importation of cattle by local graziers, the sale of land to natives, and the abolition of the South African constabulary.

Generals Botha, Dewet and Delaroy strongly urge the necessity for a moderate attitude and organization to assist the present government.

General Botha reported that \$525,000 had been collected in America and Europe for the relief of destitute Boers.

COAL ADVANCING.

Courts of Revision and Appeal are anxious to sit again at New Westminster on January 23rd, and at Kaslo on January 23rd.

There appears in this issue of the Gazette information relative to the Nobel Foundation, and endowment, which was approved by His Majesty the King of Sweden and Norway in June last.

Briefly it may be stated this endowment or foundation rests upon the will, dated 27th November, 1895, of Dr. Alfred Krupp, of Kassel, engineer and distinguished philanthropist of Germany, who directed that the interest upon a certain portion of his fortune, as set forth in his will, should be distributed annually, in five equal portions, as prizes to those who, in the course of the year elapsed, should have rendered the greatest service to humanity in the five following ways, respectively:

1. Making the most important discovery or invention in the domain of science.

2. Making the most important discovery in chemistry or contributing most to pure science.

3. Making the most important discovery in the domain of physiology or of medicine.

4. Producing the literary work most remarkable in exposition or interpretation of the doctrine of idealism.

5. Doing the most for the brotherhood of man in the direction of suppressing or reducing standing armies, as well as for the promotion of international peace congresses.

The testator, it may be added, also directed that the money be used for the education of the sons of the poor in Germany.

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