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A CRISIS IN BRITISH POLITICAL SITUATION

Inconveniences of Recent Reforms Felt Before Ultimate Benefits are Realized

THE INSURANCE ACT Minimum Wage Arouses Opposition Efforts to Sound Alarm Over Fears of Ulster Loyalists—Widespread, Although Unofficial, Observance of Empire Day

(Times' Special Cable) London, May 23.—The progress of the Altrincham election, following the unexpected Newmarket result, is arousing serious reflection in the Liberal party. Newmarket came as a disagreeable shock. It has been followed by rank criticism of the party policy by Liberals of all ranks, who hitherto have been silent. This criticism largely centres round the administration of the insurance act. It is now declared that if numerous faults are not quickly amended they may destroy the government. Old lines of attack, such as stamping lack of objection to the servants' tax failed ignominiously. The main danger now comes from bad administration. A large section of the insured work-people are greatly discontented, owing to difficulties of procuring medical benefits, inadequate services of doctors, inferior drugs being compounded by chemists, sick pay being delayed for weeks by over-officialism, and similar troubles. Until the Newmarket election the party organizers believed these complaints to be mere partisan agitation against the act. Now, however, it is generally suspected of being a concerted effort to sound alarm to the Ulster loyalists. Special correspondents are depicting and political orators describing preparations, which they say inevitably mean civil war when home rule comes. They point an Ulster village with its organized drilled men ready for the day. These forecasts arouse little interest here. Suffragette accomplishments have killed concern over Ulster's possibilities.

THREE ARE KILLED AND NINE INJURED

Charleston, S. C., May 23.—Capt. Guy G. Hanna and private Baxter and Christian of the United States coast artillery, were killed, and nine soldiers seriously wounded last night when the breech block of a 4.7 gun at Fort Moultrie was blown out.

WEATHER MAN IS NOT ENCOURAGING

Forecasts—Moderate to fresh variable winds; showers today and on Saturday. Synopsis—Rain has fallen heavily in the maritime provinces, the outlook being still unsettled. To the Grand Banks and American Ports, moderate to fresh variable winds.

EXHIBITION GAME

The Commercial and Alets will play an exhibition game on the East End League's diamond tomorrow evening. The game will start at 6 o'clock.

NEW AMBASSADOR AND HIS SUITE



Sir Arthur Spring Rice at Washington with attaches and members of the embassy.

MANY ATTRACTIONS TOMORROW FOR THE HOLIDAY SEEKERS

Excursions, Public and Private, Will Take Many From City—Good Programme for Those Who Remain

Should the superintendent of the weather bureau look with favor upon the holiday tomorrow, Victoria Day, will be an interesting and enjoyable event. About St. John, for there is a wide variety of attractions from which even the most particular, can find a pleasing way in which to spend the day. All that is required is the co-operation of the atmospheric department, but at present this seems to be a more or less doubtful factor, although fair weather has been predicted by those who are supposed to know. The programme for the day contains many diversions and offers opportunity for all who desire to take advantage of the holiday to observe it in their choice of several ways. At this season of the year, as is to be expected, the followers of Isaac Walton will naturally see a fine chance in tomorrow's holiday to seek the quietude of an inland lake and make a cast for the speckled beauties supposed to lie therein, and doubtless many fishing parties will leave for the woods today. Excursion rates are being given by the various steamship and railway lines, and with these and the suburban service already well organized, there will be large crowds take a chance on the water and leave today to spend the week end with friends in other parts of the summer cottages. The steamer Hampton will have an excursion to Hampton, and the steamer Majestic will leave Indiantown at her usual hour, connecting with the D. J. Purdy line to Hampton. The excursion will probably sail on the river. One of the most popular out-of-town attractions will be the opening of the new pier, which is being given by the City Cornet Band to Frederick, which is expected to be well patronized. The excursionists will go by train leaving tomorrow morning and returning late in the evening, with the band accompanying and giving a concert on the pier. The excursion will probably sail on the river. One of the most popular out-of-town attractions will be the opening of the new pier, which is being given by the City Cornet Band to Frederick, which is expected to be well patronized. The excursionists will go by train leaving tomorrow morning and returning late in the evening, with the band accompanying and giving a concert on the pier.

MILITANTS' ATTACK ON ARISTOCRACY

London, May 23.—Militant outrages, it is said, are now being committed in the residences of the aristocracy in the west end. At several of the recent social functions in that section pictures and tapestries have been cut. Hostesses are alarmed and are employing detectives to protect their homes.

JAPS BUY STEAMERS

London, May 23.—Several British steamships, ranging from 3,000 to 5,000 tons, have been sold to Japanese buyers in the last few days. These include the Narrung, Benara, Bentala and Vadaia.

Not Yet, Says King Peter

Geneva, Switzerland, May 23.—The Serbian premier has sent a telegraphic message to the Serbian consul, N. S. Petrovitch, stating that the reports of the intended abdication of King Peter are without foundation.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT OPENS TOURNAMENT

New York, May 23.—A London cable says the royal naval and military tournament at Olympia was opened yesterday by the Duke of Connaught, who was accompanied by the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden, their two children, Prince Arthur and Princess Patricia of Connaught.

Cost \$300 to Kill 11

Montreal, May 23.—Peter Lipson, who took a party of well-diggers on an estate in the vicinity of Eberswalde, about 27 miles from Berlin.

KING GEORGE URGES PEACE

Speaking in Berlin in Reply to an Address from British Residents

Berlin, May 23.—King George of Great Britain, at present the guest of Emperor William on the occasion of the marriage of Princess Victoria Louise to Prince Ernst Augustus of Cumberland, spoke earnestly but briefly today on the necessity for the maintenance of peace in the world, in replying to an address presented to him by the British residents of Berlin, gathered at the British embassy. His majesty said: "The preservation of peace is my fervent desire, as it was the chief aim and object of my dear father's life."

EMPEROR OF JAPAN MAY RECOVER

Today's Bulletin From Tokio More Encouraging

Tokio, May 23.—The official bulletin on Emperor Yoshihito's condition issued this morning by the court physician says: "His Majesty's temperature has risen to 100.46 Fahrenheit. His pulse is 90 and his respiration 30."

BULGARIANS AND GREEKS FIGHTING

Heavy Engagement Yesterday—Quarrel Over Territory

London, May 24.—The Times' Saloniki correspondent says that the fighting between the Bulgarians and Greeks continued the whole day, apparently with great fury. Artillery was freely used to cover the infantry attack.

J. T. B. CARON RESIGNS HIS I. C. R. POSITION

Moncton, May 23.—J. T. B. Caron, who was a member of the I. C. R. Board of Management until its abolition and who has been general-solicitor of the Intercolonial, has resigned and left for Ottawa. Before accepting the position with the I. C. R. management board he was a prominent barrister in the federal capital but maintained his office in Ottawa during his residence in Moncton and is therefore returning to an established law practice. He was prominently identified with the Moncton club and was a member of the Canadian club and the Hampshire golf club. He has many friends in the city.

TWO YEARS FOR THAW'S LAWYER

New York, May 23.—John Anhalt, the lawyer, convicted of bribery in attempting to obtain the release of Harry K. Thaw from the Mattawan asylum for the criminal insane, was sentenced today to serve not less than two years, nor more than four in Sing Sing prison.

ANCIENT GOLD COLLECTION UNearthed

Berlin, May 23.—An urn containing a collection of gold articles attributed by experts to the seventh and eighth centuries before the Christian era, was uncovered today by well-diggers on an estate in the vicinity of Eberswalde, about 27 miles from Berlin.

MOUNT ALLISON COMMENCEMENT

Closing Exercises at Sackville Begin Today

RECITAL AND CONCERT Various Features Will Continue Until Wednesday—Chancellor of Victoria University Will Deliver Sermon

Sackville, May 23.—The commencement exercises of Mount Allison University and the Ladies' College commence this afternoon. There are four concerts in the series. The first concert by the Mount Allison Conservatory of Music, this evening the first concert by the Bostonia Societies Club, assisted by Misses Fydel and Smith, heads of the Conservatory, will be given at 8 o'clock on Monday morning at 10.30 o'clock and the concluding concert by the Bostonia Societies Club on Monday evening at eight o'clock.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Flewelling of Clifton Have Been Married Fifty Years—Bridesmaid and Groomsmen Will Help Celebrate

An event which falls to the happy lot of but few will be observed at Clifton on Sunday, on the occasion of the fiftyth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. Frederick Flewelling of that place. What is even more of a rarity is the fact that not only the bride and bridegroom of half a century will be present to receive congratulations, but also the bridesmaid and groomsmen as well. Mrs. W. Flewelling is now Mrs. A. W. Lyon of Montreal, and she is now visiting her daughter, Mrs. P. B. Blythe, at her home in Main street. She will leave tomorrow for Clifton.

MONOPLANE IS PRESENTED TO NEW ZEALAND

Gift of Imperial Air Fleet Committee—Sir Joseph Ward Made First Trip on Machine

London, May 23.—Amid scenes of great enthusiasm, Lady Brasborough performed yesterday, at Hamilton, the ceremony of naming the new Blériot monoplane "Britannia" which the Imperial Air Fleet committee presented to the government of New Zealand. At the close of the formalities, a maiden trip was made by Gustav Hans, who took Sir Joseph Ward as a passenger.

BRITISH MEN AND MONEY TO BUILD HOUSES IN CANADA

London, May 23.—"The cry of house famine in the Canadian west has been loudly sounded here of late and this week a representative of one of the largest firms of contractors in London, a firm which has built up several of the suburbs of this city, left for Canada to study the conditions. If he finds the conditions favorable, his firm will begin to build houses where there is the greatest need. The building trade in this country is quiet just now, and if there is a shortage of workmen for the operations it is proposed to take men from England.

STUDYING OLD WORLD USES OF ELECTRICITY

London, May 23.—The representatives of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission have been given a very cordial reception by the governments of the various countries, and are busy securing particulars of the most modern electric practice covering the application of electricity to agriculture. They are visiting Germany, France, Belgium and Denmark, and will include what is best in the European system in that of Ontario.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Thomas J. Graham took place this morning at 8.15 o'clock from his late residence, 160 Queen street, west, to the Church of the Assumption, where a requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. J. J. O'Donovan. Relatives acted as pall bearers and interment was in the Catholic cemetery at Sand Core. The funeral was attended by a great many of the friends of the deceased and the large number of floral tributes received showed the esteem in which he was held. The members of branch 133, C. M. B. A., walked in a body.

A Trust-Made Coffin

Malone, N. Y., May 23.—Orville Kimpton, a unique character here, was buried today aged 87. He was very bitter against trusts and politicians were his particular hatred. He made his coffin several years ago, so no trust-made coffin would get him. But he was so large his home-made casket had to be discarded.

ANGLICANS FORM UNITY LEAGUE

Enthusiastic Meeting in Toronto Yesterday

THEIR OBJECT To Promote Cause of Christian Unity—Will Form Branches—Protest of the Eastern Canada Bishops

(Canadian Press) Toronto, May 23.—With enthusiasm which rose to a tremendous pitch, the church unity league was organized under Anglican auspices at the Church of the Redeemer, last night. Meetings were held after-noon and evening and Rev. Dr. Symond, of Montreal, was elected president. It was the announced intention of taking such a step that called forth a protest from the Bishops of Eastern Canada on April 24. The meeting in the afternoon adopted a constitution defining the name as the church unity league and explaining the objects of the society as follows: "To promote by all constitutional means the cause of Christian unity. To examine and set forth by meetings, sermons and literature, the grounds upon which our divisions rest and discover the lines of demarcation between those things that are always and everywhere essential, and those which are expedient." All members of the Church of England, male and female, above the age of 21 years, are to be eligible for membership. There is to be an annual meeting, to be held during the last week in May, or as near thereto as possible. Other meetings may be held at the discretion of the executive committee or on the written request of 25 members. The executive committee is to encourage and aid in the formation of branch societies, wherever possible.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ENTERPRISING CANADIAN CITIES

Trade Representatives in England Could Arrange Establishment of Many Branch Factories

London, May 23.—"Each of the larger cities of Canada and some of the smaller ones of promise, too, ought to have a representative in England," said a Canadian today in discussing the development of the cities of Canada. "This proposal may seem unusual but so are conditions in Canada unusual. Most of our cities have a publicity commissioner or a board whose business it is to secure industries for the city; but except for the United States little can be done. During the months I have been in this country it has frequently occurred to me that if such representatives were established much would be accomplished. It would be easily ascertained what firms were trading with Canada and it would not be difficult to point out how much more advantageously the market could be served and the volume of trade increased from a factory in Canada. Then, there are many firms here manufacturing wares which we require, who do not trade with the Dominion. These would be encouraged to consider the advisability of establishing Canadian branches thereby securing the trade which now goes to foreign houses. With their increasing market, wealth of raw material and cheap power, Canada should be attracting the British manufacturer far more than she does."

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