SEVEN-FOOT DRIFTS BLOCK DISTRICT HI

Britain Fears Russian Afghan Drive Endangers

## Thirty Dead From Cold In America

Death and Great Property Destruction in Wake of Sub-Zero Wave.

FLORIDA, GEORGIA HIT

Prophecies of Astronomers Are Borne Out by Storms World Over.

Associated Press Despatch. Chicago, Dec. 28 .- Astronomers with their eyes on sun spots and other polar phenomena and weather prophets recently warned of bitter cold weather the latter part of December, have seen their predictions come

Sweeping out of the northwest, the icy winds of wintertime have invaded almost every section of the United States and Canada, leaving death and

destruction as a week-end aftermath. From the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic seaboard, freezing and subzero temperatures prevailed, with virtually no relief in sight today, but with some moderation promised Tuesday. The cold break from the northland pushed even into the heart of Dixie and beyond to the northern reaches of

Nearly thirty deaths were attributed to the cold, accidents were numerous, are reported to be dissatisfied with the property valued at several millions was destroyed by fire and great suffering was caused among the poor and home-less. In the east particularly the low temperatures brought home the seriousness of the hard coal strike, now in its seventeenth week. Below-zero tem-peratures were recorded in several parts f Pennsylvania and other anthracite-

of Pennsylvania and other anthracite-producing regions.

While most of the continent was in the grip of the cold wave, elemental manifestations of other kinds were noted in other parts of the world. Light-ning incidental to a storm set fire to several petroleum tanks at Buenos Aires causing damage estimated at \$1. Aires, causing damage estimated at \$1.

Storms continued to exact a heavy toll in France. At La Rochelle, a fishing boat foundered, drowning seven and melting snow gorged the stream, caus-Vera Cruz mild earthquakes were

felt, but no damage is reported.

### 24 BELOW IS RECORD

ers breathed sighs of relief this morning to find that Jack Frost's winters tracings were missing from window panes after they had successfully ob-scured vision for the preceding 24 hours. The intersity of the cold wave from the northwest which blanketed the province broken yesterday afternoon after a low had been registered. But it is confidently asserted that the

nercury's downward slide was more pronounced in many places than was recorded in official observations. The frigid spell fortunately was not accompanied by wind of any great velocity, and household furnace stoking was made considerably easier. Citizens generally were well supplied with coal, although substitutes for anthracite are being freely used on account of the shortage ue to the miners' strike. Two deaths due to exposure had been reported up

cold blasts away to the east, the tem-perature rose rapidly, and this morning at 8 o'clock levels well above the zero mark were reached.

New York, Dec. 28.—Storm warnings telegraph operators, died at his home, vere being displayed on the Atlantic 162 Wallace avenue, today, after a long were being displayed on the Atlantic seaboard between Cape Hatteras and Boston on advice of the Washington Mr. Kennedy served as a telegr Boston on advice of the Washington weather bureau, which forecast strong northwest winds of gale force. Subweather bureau, which rorecast strong northwest winds of gale force. Subfor 34 years, retiring in 1913. He was born in 1855 at Ostic, near Guelph, born in 1855 at Ostic, near Guelph, caused the Ohio river to be frozen over Ont., and married first Miss Annie Steel. Storm warnings were being displayed Continued on Page 11, Column 2.

Following her death he had been being displayed Lila Young in 1914.

Mr. Kennedy is survived by his wife \$\$0 of his pag. No money was found on his bedy. The forecastle of the Page.

### The Weather

FORECASTS. est and northmoderately cold day; snowflurries.



Winnipeg ......
Port Arthur ..... 0 -16 Halifax

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 12; lowest, -3.

Highest, 21; lowest, 11.

## BLIZZARD STOPS TRAFFIC, Proposals **DRIFTS SEVEN FEET HIGH**

Western Ontario Highways

Hard Hit by Four-Day

Snowstorm.

in London-Relief From

Cold Comes.

Piled high with six and seven foo

The only highway in the county that

gravel, approached by way of the fourth

he county who had to come to the city

Warmer Today.

200 Miles to Shovel.

Water Pipes Burst.

is much fewer, however, than previous

It is the manager's opinion that with

the coming of meters the consumers are

becoming better educated in looking af-

Continued on Page 3, Column 2.

Canadian Press Despatch

Canso, N.S., Dec. 27.-The attorne

general of Nova Scotia has been called

ipon to investigate the death of John

Mallay, 45, seaman on the steam traw

ler Rayondor, whose body was taken from the water here today near where his vessel lay at anchor with several

his body. The forecastle of the Ray-

CAT'S ANTICS DISCLOSE

coroner's inquest has been

PRESENCE OF BURGLARS

tracted the attention of four police district governor of the Rotary club, officers Christmas night. Entering the who paid an official visit to London

Special to The Advertiser.

Winnipeg, Dec. 27.—The strange antics of a cat in a store window at-

OF SEAMAN ON TRAWLER

URGE PROBE OF DEATH

The public utilities c

are not visible for miles.

23 above at noon.

is still piling up the drifts.

### Eskimo Shivers In New York City

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Dec. 28.-An Eskimo's dream of New York as a balmy winter resort was shattered when he

arrived here yesterday without his

"Eet is cold," quoth Robert Mayokowok, on stepping from the train which brought him on the last lap of his trip from his igloo.

## SYRIA PEACE PLAN ENDS IN FAILURE

Negotiations Collapse as Rebel Leaders Become Dissatisfied With French Offer.

Damascus, Syria, Dec. 28.-A Druse lan, which recently visited Sueiga, capital of the Djebel Druse country, to discuss peace between the tribesmen and the French, apparently failed in its and the French, apparently failed in its signs of its arrival in the near future. Damascus, received by the high commissioner, Henry de Jouvenel at Beirut progress of their negotiations. Apparently it has been impossible to reach an accord regarding Syria taking over the territory annexed by the Lebanon in 1920, and amnesty for the recel lead-

This despatch seemingly sets at rest recent reports of the conclusion of peace terms, and an armistice between the Druse tribesmen and the French authorities in Syria. It was stated by officials in Paris late last week, however, that the signing of an armistice at any noment would not surprise the Quai d'Orsay

## FOILED BY THICK WALL

Unsuccessful Attempt Made To Rob Bank at Scotland Village.

Special to The Advertiser Brantford, Dec. 27.-An unsuccessful

attempt to rob the Royal Bank at Scot-Breaking in through the cellar window the would-be robbers got upstairs and ransacked every drawer in the place. They next turned their attention

to the vault and started their assault with a pick on the two-foot thick wall. about 24 calls for by This tough job evidently disheartened over the week-end. them, for they stopped when they had removed eight inches of the bricks and Buchanan, manager of the commission, them, for they stopped when they had mortar. County police believe that the same years under similar condition persons who blew the Paris C. N. R. station safe were implicated.

### When warmer breezes finally sent the VETERAN TELEGRAPHER, THOMAS KENNEDY, DIES

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 28.—Thomas L. Kennedy, well known to many old-time Following her death he married Mrs. other trawlers. Mallay had not been seen

### DUNNING REFUSES TO TALK ON APPOINTMENT RUMORS

Canadian Press Despatch. Saskatoon, Sask., Dec. 28.-Premier C. A. Dunning of Saskatchewan over long-distance telephone last night refused to comment on an Ottawa despatch printed in a Montreal paper stat-ing that Premier Dunning had intimated that he would join the Mackenzie officers Christmas night. Entering the King cabinet in the event of the government being upheld in the federal hiding under a pile of sacks. The men Rotarians at luncheon today.

### had a complete set of burglar's tools. Algerians Pursuing American Who Spirited Mummies Away

ordered.

Associated Press Despatch. Paris, Dec. 27.—The Matin says that
the governor-general of Algeria has
the paper, declares that despite the Shoal and anchored, only to drag ashore

Taking parts and neither last sided, said the Indian communism was not bolshevism. The Indian communism was not bolshevism. The Indian communism was not bolshevism. The Indian communism was not bolshevism.

announcement is accompanied by a list year-old ex-rum runner, and her crew republic.

The count left for America, Dec. 15 refloat her cannot be made.

# To Council Are Ready

Will Meet City Repre-200 Miles of Sidewalks Swept sentatives Tomorrow.

drifts, county roads are blocked up to-To Insure Transportation day. The St. Thomas highway is impassable at Talbotville and there is no For City. immediate prospect of its being opened

s at all open to traffic is the Sarnia at 3 o'clock to hear and later discus transportation offers that will be made in writing by the London Street Railway company and the Metropolitan Bu this morning were forced to use the company

railway, as the road from Lucan is piled high with drifts; in some cases the fences along the sides of the road S. R. stated this morning that the company would be prepared to submit to pany would be prepared to submit Trains coming through Thorndale proposition to the city tomorrow. It is were hours late today and a strong wind known that President C. C. Kamm of the bus company will also be present to Damascus, Syria, Dec. 28.—A Druse delegation, headed by Emir Emin Arblan, which recently visited Sueida, caplan, which recently visited Sueida, capland with the company of the difficulty in plowing through.

Barring a possible thaw, or a road gang with shovels, county residents will be Cha

snowed in for a few days more, at least. mittee, requested the city clerk to call Since the law of averages decrees that after the storm always comes the calm, Londoners are today getting fewer kinks in their elbows from waving their arms to keep from freezing, and at last have a breathing spell in which to endeavor declaring that it would be impossible to attain an upright posture after backbreaking hours of stoking coai, coke and bureau drawers into voracious ing t furnaces and stoves, the reason being that at last the cold wave which has been sweeping Ontario for the last four days, is showing signs of abating. their cars in the barns, the communication stated.

that they had no trouble keeping to their schedules during the storms of The barometer showed a slight rise adjusting milder weather. Saturday and Sunday. The same report was issued from the street railway

### There are more than 200 miles of city sidewalks to be kept clear of snow, and the fact that snowplows had clear-day of the streets before 10 c'clock this BY BIG FIRE AT BROOKLYN

Thirty-five horse-drawn plows were hustling through the streets at 5 o'clock this morning. The downtown sections of the city were cleared first. Then came well-travelled streets, such as Queen's avenue, King street Waterloo street, etc., and later the streets in the Outlying portions of the city.

New York, Dec. 28.—The members of the more than one hundred families, many of them scantily clad, were driven into the street today, when fire which dece are Alton Rickman (foreman). John Pincombe, Frank Mohler, Frank Blasdale, Edgar Weld, James Laury, D. J. McGregor and Randall Hammond One woman was overcome by smale. land was made Christmas eve, but county police believe the job was the been registered been registered.

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COLD SPELL ABATES Bus Company and L. S. R.

SERVICES DEFINED

Special Council Meeting Called

A special meeting of the city counc

as low as three degrees below zero early Sunday morning, had risen to 11 above at 8 o'clock today, and was registering 23 above at room.

Later on the company agreed to operate until the end of the year pending negotiations or a new agreement.

The drivers of the buses stated today by, fatally injured.

## morning, speaks volumes for the city engineer's department which has charge

New York, Dec. 28.-The members of MOSLEMS IN INDIA TO HELP

W. R. YENDALL,

ON ROCKS TWICE IN DAY

80-YEAR-OLD SCHOONER

## Officials Tonight At Masonic Installation





DISTRICT OFFI CERS WHO WILL TAKE PART IN TONIGHT'S CEREMONY. Wor. Brother Nelson P. Walsh, past grand junior warden, installing officer; stalling officers, who will take part in Right Wor. Brother W. D. Love, D.D.G.M., and Right Wor. Brother J. elected masters and other officers of ceremony.

Father and Uncle of Dead Children Will Be Principal Witnesses.

If the city did not order the buses off the coroner's jury tonight is Hazel the streets the company would place. However, their cars in the barns, the communication stated.

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Dr. James Bice, who attended the injured boy and his mother, Mrs. Collins, who also was severely hurt, will give the deaths.

Delaware the injured were removed after the crash.

Indian Caliphates, in Annual

Conference, Pledge Sup-

port of Mohammedans.

Cawnpore, British India, Dec. 26,-

The annual conference here resolved

today that the decision of the league of

nations council in the Turco-British

dispute over Mosul was in conflict with

the treaty of Lausanne, and declared

that if the Turks were "driven to war"

the Indian Moslems would help them.

to assist the government with men of

money if hostilities broke out.

The resolution invoked the Indians not

The conference also urged removal of

non-Moslem control from Irak (the

Mesopotamian state which is under

British mandate) and declared itself

opposed to British intervention in the Arabian kingdom of Hedjaz in any

WON INDEPENDENCE.

Associated Press Despatch.

TURKS IF BRITAIN FIGHTS

Firstly, at the outbreak of the world

## "Wise" Druse Is No Smoker, Is Cruel, Crafty, Vengeful

Syrian Visitor in London Discusses Causes of War With French -Divorce Simple, Ignorant Do As They Please, Wise Are Thrifty.

Wilson, 16 years old, of Delaware. Boughner's car passed Miss Wilson just before it crashed into the town hall, when the babies were thrown out onto the pavement, one of them being killed instantly and the other one, the little boy, fatally injured.

Dr. James Bice, who attended the injured boy and his mother, Mrs. Colling of Lambeth will act as coroner at the inquiry.

Others who will testify are Robert Reid, Fred Shore and Miss Leota Sutherland, trained nurse, to whose home.

Dr. Garbane Bice are passed Miss Wilson just before it crashed into the town hall, Mr. Nasr, though born in the heart of Lebanon, so rich in religious and secular history, has acquired by 30 years of travel through Canada a thorough grasp of the Canadian mental attitude. He was naturalized as a Canadian citizen 30 years ago. He is associated with Babayan's, Limited, Toronto Oriental to refresh his intimate knowledge of the country. Mr. Nasr, whose surname is the Arabic word for victory, gives a colorful interpretation of the affairs of the Near East to the Canadian mind.

"Secondly, when the French general, Sarrall, arrived in Syria to be governor high commissioner for Syria and Mount Lebanon, the patriarchs and clergy welcomed him and interviewed him, many courtesies. But the churches, for the savoning him many courtesies, But the chard of the french general, Sarrall arrived in Syria to be governor high commissioner for Syria and Mount Lebanon, the patriarchs and clergy welcomed him and interviewed him and Reid, Fred Shore and Miss Leota Sutherland, trained nurse, to whose home the Near East to the Canadian mind. "There are three outstanding causes for the revolt of the Druse tribesmen and the Arabs against the French mandatory rule in Syria," Mr Nash told "The director expressed the benefit flat the spread of Russian influence in Asia still is the aim of the Russian government as it was under the czars, and he declares that Russia's new namely occasions. They sent deputations

Price of Arab Support.

Chairman Ed, Smith of No. 1 committee, requested the city clerk to call a general meeting of the council to-be one of the most important council to meetings of the last ten years.

The street railway issued an ultimatum to the city early in the month, declaring that it would be impossible for the company to maintain a service with bus opposition, which was reaping the cream of transportation nickels, if the city did not order the bases off the streets the company would place.

Charles Collins and Lewis Eoughner, Abraham Nasr of Toronto, native of 60,000 inhabinovers, Eahleh, a Syrian city of 60,000 inhabinovers approached the Arabs and asked for Arab support in making war on Turkey, France and England promising the arrangements, however, and interesting sidelight, in an interview with The Advertiser today, on the causes of the recent bitter warfare between the Druse tribesmen and the French, which resulted in the unfortunated destruction of a large part of the company would place.

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### SAYS UNITED STATES SCOTIA WANTS C.N.R. DRIFTING FROM IDEALS

Attorney Declares Right to Free Unemployment at Mines Would Speech and Conduct Is Lost.

Associated Press Desnatch. Chicago, Dec. 28.-The United States

constitution has been amended and construed until it looks "like an Egyptian administration for the purpose of obmummy in a China doll factory," Robert W. Besse of Sterling, Illinois, told the Illinois States Attorneys' association today, of which he is president.
"A close analysis of the situation dis-LEAGUE RULING STIRS

closes that the American people are getting away from the idea which stim-ulated the statesmen of those early days that the people might be free in speech and conduct and that all governent came from the people. On the contrary, now the statesmen have a no tion that the government is all-powerful and that the people are mere subjects to do the will of any notion they choose to write upon the statute books, and they write plenty of notions into laws, In a on and everybody is presumed to know the

## CHRISTMAS EVE FIRE

Associated Press Despatch. Manila, Dec. 27.—Thirteen natives were killed and nearly a hundred injared in a fire which destroyed a moving picture theatre in the town of Opon, Cebu province, on Christmas Eve.
A man named Barnum saved many

Cawnpore, British India, Dec. 26.— lives when he cut an opening in the Indian Communists from all parts of the country gathered in conference here today for the first time. Hassirat Mo-hani, welcoming the delegates, explain-The fit The fire started in the machine room by the breaking of a film. The audience,

Associated Press Despatch.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 27.—Bad luck tonight continued to dog the two-masted schooner Mary Langdon, 80masted schooner Mary Langdon, 80numbering a thousand, rushed to the exists and many were trampled under foot. The monetary loss was small.

The official temperatures for the official temperatures for the previous to 8 a.m. today were dighest, 21; lowest, 11.

Sarometric Readings.

Sunday—8 p.m.—29 47.

The official temperatures for the fight regulations, Cunes carried off a list wanted to end the domination of the paper, declares that despite the paper, declares tha

# TO USE BRETON COAL

Be Relieved, Declares Attorney-General. Canadian Press Despatch.

Glace Bay, N. S., Dec. 27.-That the local government petition the federal coal contract for British Empire Steel corporation miners was the solution proposed by Attorney-General Douglass at a mass meeting of miners here this afternoon as a means of alleviating unemployment in collieries numbers two and four in the Glace Bay area. The meeting was attended by Execu-

tive Officers John W. McLeod, James Nearing and Alex. McKay and by J. A. McDonald, district board member, who In a one-hour talk, President McLeod

reviewed the situation at present exist-ing at the British Empire Steel corporation collieries and advised the miners to await the finding of the royal commission, which recently completed its TAKES THIRTEEN LIVES sessions at Halifax. The findings, which, he thought, would be brought down next Saturday, might be of some assistance toward finding a solution of the CHAMPION'S MOTHER DIES present difficulty.

### YOUNG BEAR SENTENCED TO YEAR AT MONTREAL

Special to The Advertiser.

tence Young Bear, Oneida brave, from acid on Saturday afternoon, and died London, Ont., to a year in jali for the shortly after. theft of an automobile, Judge Enright on Saturday told the Indian he did not for over twenty-five years, and was the believe he was a bad man, and hoped mother of Jack Taylor, heavyweight that means would quickly be found to wrestling champion of Canada. release the prisoner on parole so that he may return to his reservations. Young Bear is the hapless brave who

## **Soviet Plot** In the East Is Revealed

THREE CENTS.

Great Britain Alarmed as Russia Renews Activities Against British India.

AFGHANS ATTACKED

Government Learns Moscow Plans Formidable Drive To Win Asiatics.

Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 28 .- The report from Afghanistan that Russian troops have made an unprovoked attack upon and captured the Afghan post of Darkbad. or Darkad, has aroused concern here. In official circles it is believed that if the report proves true the action of the Russians will be regarded as a sigificant step toward realization of novement which Russia is alleged to be ecretly making toward India.

It is recalled that suspicion of Russia's aims on India was formerly habitual with the British and that during part of the nineteenth century stories of attempts by Russia to gain possession of Afghanistan with a view to advancing through that country to India. caused frequent excitement and alarm.

among the Christians.

"Thirdly, Sarrail sent to govern the the spread of Russian influence in the Russian influence in t to constitute a "serious threat against Afghanistan. The report dwells upon efforts Russi

allegedly is making to extend her inf ence into the territory of Emir A nullah Khan, including "proposals improvement of com with Kabul, the capital of Afghani and Oxus. The post of Darkbad and the surrounding territory, which the Russians are reported to have seized, are at an important crossing of the Oxus river, thus suspicion has been aroused here that the incident is one of great significance and likely to cause

A despatch from Kabul telling of the capture of Darkbad said the Afghan commander was killed by the Russians and that the su ounding territory, consisting of whole or part of an island formed by two branches of the river occupied by the Russians.

### COOLIDGE WILL BE ASKED TO BAR BEER, WINE SALE

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Dec. 28.—An appeal to government officials to enforce the Voi-stead act as it now stands without modifying it to permit the sale of light wines and beers will be made by the Anti-Saloon League.

The New York organization made public yesterday a copy of a pamphlet by Earnest Cherrington, general chairman of the World League Against Al coholism, which will soon be sent by the Anti-Saloon League to President Cool-idge, asserting that the Volstead act has been vindicated by the reduction of heavy drinking.

## AFTER GIVING WARNING

Canadian Press Despatch Moose Jaw, Dec. 28.—After calling the telephone exchange in Parkbeg, Sask. near here, to say that she was going Montreal, Dec. 28.-Forced to sen- aged 63, drank a bottle of muriation

Mrs. Taylor was an old-timer of the

EARTHQUAKE ROCKS MANILA.