

ULTIMATUM OF NATIONALISTS PLACED BEFORE THE CABINET

Mr. Asquith and Colleagues Consider Redmond's Demand That the Lords' Power of Veto and Home Rule Pledges Be Given.

[Associated Press.] London, Feb. 11.—The terms of the King's speech with which the new Parliament will be opened were finally agreed upon at today's adjourned meeting of the cabinet. Subsequently the ministers dispersed, several going to the country for the week-end, so there will be no further conferences before Monday. The cabinet had before it today a sort of ultimatum from the national directory of the United Irish

RATS GNAWED HOLE IN LEAD PIPE FLOODING LOCAL WAREHOUSE

Peculiar Mishap in a Dundas Street Building—Some Damage Done, But the Prompt Shutting Off of the Water Saves the Valuable Stock.

Rats were responsible for a deluge in a Dundas street piano warehouse, a couple of evenings ago. The rodents gnawed through a large lead pipe that ran under the flooring of the second story, and supplied the upper part of the building with water. Fortunately, the accident happened just before closing time, and as the proprietor was getting ready to leave, he had made things all ready for his departure when the water began to pour in streams from the ceiling. When the flooding was removed, and the trouble located, marks of the rats' teeth were found in a number of places, and a good-sized hole was made where the lead was, the pipe having apparently been chewed away in several places, and broken off with the force of the water behind it. The damage has all been repaired.

CITY WILL DRAW SNOW AWAY CHARGE TO LONDON STREET RY.

Engineer Graydon Has His War Paint On and Is Right After the Company—Manager King Was Not Moving Fast Enough to Satisfy the Board of Works.

City Engineer Graydon is putting teams to work this afternoon to clean off the snow on the streets, the cost to be charged up to the London street railway. At the meeting of the board of works last evening the matter was discussed at some length, and the committee decided to back Mr. Graydon in any attempt he made to bring the London street railway to task.

This afternoon he engaged several teams, and the work will be rushed along as rapidly as possible. STREET RAILWAY MOVING. Manager King has also seven teams at work, and is making quite an impression on the snowpiles. He considers that they are making every effort to keep up with the work, and declares that under the unusual circumstances they have done fairly well.

ATLANTIC LINER LOST ONE PASSENGER SAVED

French Steamer, General Chanzy Wrecked on Coast of Majorca Island.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Palma, Majorca, Feb. 11.—The French trans-Atlantic steamer General Chanzy, from Marseilles, has been wrecked on the north coast of this island. It is stated that only a single passenger was saved out of all the persons on board. The vessel is a complete loss.

FORMER G. T. R. DRIVER CLAIMS BIG ESTATE

Thomas Mulvihill, of Toronto, May Share in a Million Dollars.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Feb. 11.—Thomas J. Mulvihill, of 620 Bathurst street, formerly an engineer on the G. T. R., is making arrangements to claim a portion of the estate of the late Stephen Mulvihill, who died in Sonora, Province of Mexico, recently, leaving no family, and an estate valued at \$1,000,000. Stephen Mulvihill was brother of the late John Mulvihill, who for forty years was an engineer on the G. T. R., and who died seven or eight years ago, and leaves one son, Thomas J. Mulvihill, Rev. Father D. P. Mulvihill, of Des Moines, Iowa, and James Mulvihill, of Youngstown, Ohio, are also claimants. Steps are being taken to prevent administration of the estate until all the relatives have had opportunity to prove their claims.

A NARROW ESCAPE. Toronto, Ont., Feb. 11.—As the result of the falling of a frozen crust of sand on the premises of the Toronto Sand and Dredging Company, Spadina avenue dock this morning, Thos. Kerr, 2 Clarence Square, and Charles Martin, 123 Eastern avenue, had a narrow escape from death. Both men are now at Grace Hospital. Kerr's back is sprained, while Martin is bruised about the head.

GRANVILLE HAIGHT FOUND DEAD IN HIS HOME AT AYLMEY, ONT.

Dominion Collector of Customs Succumbs to Attack of Heart Failure—Was for Many Years Prominent in Affairs of East Elgin.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Aylmer, Feb. 11.—Mr. H. Granville Haight, Dominion collector of customs, was found dead in bed this morning at 4:30 by his wife. Death was due to heart failure. Mr. Haight was in his usual good health last evening. He was about his duties yesterday, as was his custom, and appeared to be in excellent spirits. When he retired, he complained of no distress. At 4:15 his wife heard him call, but when she reached his room he had passed away. Dr. McEwan was summoned, but life was extinct when he arrived.

Mr. Haight's sudden taking off was a great shock to his many friends. A Man of Affairs. He was widely known throughout the east riding of Elgin. For many years he farmed near Sparta, and was frequently a member of the council. He ran for reeve on one occasion, but was defeated. In 1906 in the by-election, he was the Liberal candidate for the House of Commons. Mr. W. F.

PUT SPLASH BOARDS ON DAM RAISE THE WATER IN THE RIVER

Engineer Sifton Has a New Scheme to Get Over the Dredging Problem—He Suggests That Saunby's Mill Be Given Free Power—Peak Load Could Be Kept Down and a Saving Effected on Niagara Power.

The river-dredging problem may be solved a new way. Engineer Sifton is out with a suggestion that an agreement be reached, if possible, with the Saunby people, by which they will be given free power, provided the city is allowed to place splashboards at Springbank to bring the river up 4 or 5 feet. "We could give them power sufficient for their needs, and make money if we had the splashboards on," said Mr. Sifton. The extra four or five feet would considerably increase our power capacity at Springbank, and we could develop sufficient power to lower the peak load at certain times. I think the proposition is feasible, and can be worked out.

MERCURY FELL TO 13 BELOW COLDEST NIGHT OF THE WINTER

Ideal Weather Despite the Extreme Cold Is Verdict of Londoners—People Who Were Caught Napping Kept the Plumbers Busy With Frozen Water Pipes—Three Below at Eight o'Clock This Morning.

The mercury went down, down, down steadily last night until it reached 13 degrees below zero, the lowest point this winter. At 8 o'clock this morning the mercury was still three below. The cold last night was of the intense, still variety that penetrates everywhere. At midnight there was not a breath of wind stirring, and the smoke from the chimneys went straight up into the air. Real Winter, This. It was an ideal winter night, the stars as bright as diamonds, and the snow giving away under foot with a sharp crunch.

FOUR PEARLS IN A SINGLE OYSTER

Ex-Ald. John Nutkins Made a Find at Builders' Banquet.

Other Three Are Also of Good Size—John Nutkins Tells of How He Became a Pearl of Fisher.

Ex-Ald. John Nutkins was probably the luckiest man at the builders' banquet on Wednesday night, as from his dish of oysters he got four fine, large pearls. Mr. Nutkins has them in his possession still, and tomorrow is to get an estimate from a jeweller as to their value.

SLEIGH SMASHED IN A RUNAWAY

Lively Scrimmage in West London Before Horse Was Caught. A runaway in West London, where a butcher sleigh belonging to Mr. Charles Wood, who has a shop on the market, was badly smashed, occurred this morning. The horse became frightened in some way and broke away, throwing the boy who was driving and overturning the sleigh. Before the horse was caught the front bows had been badly smashed and considerable damage done to the sleigh. The boy who was driving was not injured.

ROUTS MR. BORDEN WITH OWN WORDS

Militia Minister Lays Bare That Right-About-Face.

NAVY TO BE DIVIDED

Are To Be Placed on the Pacific Coast.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—The argument for a Canadian navy, as opposed to a direct contribution of twenty-five millions in cash to Great Britain, was used at the discretion of the admiralty for the purpose of naval defence, was put with compelling force and thoroughness in a speech of three and a half hours' duration in the Commons today by Sir Frederick Borden. It will be remembered that he was Hon. Mr. Borden's colleague at the imperial defence conference in London last summer, and, perhaps, better than any other member of the House, he knows the actual needs of the situation from the standpoint of imperial defence, and from the standpoint of the advice and wishes of the admiralty.

The first part of his clear and logical summing up of the arguments adduced so far in the debate, was devoted to a rare effective condemnation of the position now taken by Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster in favor of a direct contribution, as opposed to the policy they advocate, right up to December last, of the creation of a Canadian navy based on the lines of the resolution unanimously passed by Parliament last March. Out of their own mouths he condemned them. In London, on Dominion Day last, Mr. Borden had explicitly declared for a Canadian navy as opposed to a direct contribution. At Halifax, in August, Hon. Mr. Foster had publicly advocated the same policy.

DR. NEWELL OF SARNIA DIES VERY SUDDENLY

A Former Wyoming Physician Passed Away Early This Morning.

[From Our Own Staff.] Sarnia, Ont., Feb. 11.—Dr. W. D. Newell, aged 52, a well-known and popular physician of this place, died suddenly this morning. He had been ill for some years with rheumatism, but his death was not expected. He came here five years ago from Wyoming, but he was originally from Stratford, his wife, who survives him, being a Miss Mary Woodward, of Stratford. The funeral will be held either on Saturday or Monday. The final arrangements have not yet been made.

ANOTHER CONVENTION FOR THE FOREST CITY

Vegetable Growers of Ontario Will Meet Here in September.

The Ontario Vegetable Growers' Association have decided to hold their annual convention during the Western Fair. Addresses by progressive and up-to-date growers of vegetables and small fruit will be delivered at the various sessions.

The O. V. G. A. is steadily increasing in membership, and the future of vegetable growing in Ontario looks bright through organized effort to improve the quality and quantity of vegetables by improved methods. For instance, the association are making arrangements with the Ontario Government to have seed potatoes grown in Northern Ontario, which has been proven a good source of supply.

Directors for 1910. President—Thomas Delworth, Weston. First Vice-President—F. G. Fuller, London. Second Vice-President—T. A. Newell, Toronto. Secretary—Thomas Delworth, Weston. Executive—Thomas Delworth, Weston; F. F. Reeves, Humber Bay; C. W. Baker, Byron; N. Weaver, Dunnville.

BARNETT'S APPEAL IS HEARD AT TORONTO

Case of Man Who Was Maimed in Railway Wreck Not Yet Completed.

At Osgoode Hall, Toronto, on Thursday, in Barnett vs. G. T. R. Company, J. F. Pauls (London), and P. H. Bartlett (London), for the plaintiff, W. Nesbitt, K.C., for the defendant, an appeal by plaintiff from judgment of Meredith, C.J. of Jan. 15, 1910. The action was brought by plaintiff for \$2,000 damages for the loss of both his legs in a collision between a Pere Marquette train, which plaintiff was riding on, and a van or car of the defendant, in the railway yards at London, alleged to be due to the negligence of the defendant. At the trial the action was dismissed without costs, the defendants not resting for costs. Plaintiff's appeal from this judgment not concluded.

SENSATION FOR ODDFELLOWS BANS PUT ON THE ORIENTALS

Important Circular Is Said to Have Been Sent Out—Local Oddfellows Say They Have Not as Yet Received It—If Oddfellow Belongs to the Orientals He Will Be Expelled.

Oddfellows throughout Ontario are considerably interested in a circular that was recently issued by the grand lodge of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, deprecating that any member of the Oddfellows' order who belongs to the Oriental lodges, or participates in their meetings, will be expelled, and any lodge giving the use of their rooms to Orientals to hold meetings are liable to have their charters cancelled. No Circular as Yet. There is a lodge of Orientals in this city, known as Thebes Lodge, and one of the members thereof, The Advertiser this afternoon said that no circular had been received. He did not know what action would be taken in regard to the matter.

SPRING MILLINERY STYLES WILL RUN TO THE EXTREMES

Hats Will Be Either Very Large or Very Small—London Opening on February 21—Toronto Millinery Show Will Take Place a Week Later.

Recent millinery houses are all in readiness for the spring opening which will take place here on Feb. 21, and large stocks of all kinds of "fads" are arranged in display order. Going to Extremes. "Everything is going to be extreme this year," the manager of one of London's largest houses told The Advertiser today. "There are no medium hats. They are either very, very large or tiny, and the trimmings are the gayest that have been seen for some time. Flowers will be very popular, and fancy materials in bright colors, will also have great vogue. The hats on the whole are very fancy, and the general run of prices will probably be in advance of those of other years." This is cheerful news for "hobby" for Easter.

LAWYERS BLAMED FOR MANY SUITS

Ontario Municipal Union Would Have Damages Cases Tried in Division Courts.

THE MAYOR AGREEABLE. Says If the Scale of Costs Were Reduced There Would Be Less Incentive to Sue Municipalities.

The Ontario Municipal Association is after cantankerous lawyers. At the recent conference in Toronto, between delegates from the association and the lawyers, it was suggested that all old claims for damages against municipalities arising out of accidents on streets and roads be tried in the division court. At the present time they are tried at the assizes, and the high cost of suits is a serious matter. "Trumped Up." A large proportion of the claims against municipalities for damages for injuries are "trumped up" and are made up of nothing but legal fees. "They are brought for the purpose of making the municipalities pay the costs, which are a large bill of costs attached when they come through the assize courts. The municipalities are then there will be no large bills of cost, and a considerable lessening of the cost of such suits."

In County Courts. Hon. J. W. Brown would not agree to that proposal, but he would agree to have all such suits tried in the county courts, with a division court scale of fees. This suited the lawyers, and it is probable that the Municipal Act will be so amended during this session.

FRANCE SENDS THANKS

Canada's Contribution to Flood Relief is Hand Over. Ottawa, Feb. 11.—At the opening of the House yesterday Mr. Freiding read a telegram from Sir Francis Beattie, British ambassador at Paris, regarding the receipt of Canada's gift of \$50,000 to assist the sufferers from the floods in France. The money was handed over to French minister of foreign affairs, who requests that the deep gratitude of the Government of the Republic, who are much touched at this generous sympathy, be conveyed to the people of Canada.

SOUTH LONDON MAN HAD EARS FROZEN

Mr. Geo. Fox, of Riverview Avenue, Knows What Cold Weather Means. Mr. George Fox, jun., of Riverview Avenue, South London, had both his ears frozen this morning while walking from his home down town.

Mr. Fox hurried to a doctor's office, where remedies were applied.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—MODERATELY COLD—SNOW. FORECASTS. Toronto, Feb. 11-5 a.m. Today—Easterly winds; cloudy; with light snowfalls and rising temperature. Saturday—High northeast winds and moderately cold, with snow. TEMPERATURES. Stations. a.m. m. Weather. Victoria 44 38 Cloudy. Calgary 32 22 Clear. Winnipeg 20 10 Clear. Port Arthur 14 9 Snow. Pelly Sound 14 9 Clear. Toronto 18 8 Clear. Ottawa 8 12 Clear. Montreal 29 6 Clear. Quebec 16 8 Clear. Father Point 16 2 Clear. Minus (—) means below zero. During last night the local weather observatory registered 13° below zero.

CITY MAY PURCHASE THE WILSON ESTATE

Land on Hamilton Road "V" Is Badly Needed for L. and P. S. R. Switching.

PRICE IS REASONABLE. Committee Appointed by London and Port Stanley Board to Go Into the Matter.

The London and Port Stanley Railway board will deal with the purchase of the Nicholas Wilson property for more switching room for the Port Stanley Railway, between the L. and P. S. R. At a meeting of the board held at noon today, Mr. J. S. Peattie, superintendent of the Port Stanley Railway, said that he had received a letter from Mr. E. S. Wilson, offering the property to him at a much less cost than Mr. Wilson asked from the Grand Trunk. Mr. Peattie pointed out that more track room was necessary, as the company was badly handicapped at the present time.

Many Complaints. "There were many complaints from Mr. Wilson about his property regarding the smoke nuisance," said Mayor Stevely. "The property is not suitable for a dwelling house, and it would be of some benefit to the city if it were sold. However, I have no money for that purpose, and I do not know where we are going to get it. I do not think the council will do anything about the property, but it would help the Port Stanley Railway."

A Moral Claim. "The Wilson estate, being a moral claim against the city," said Ald. Stevenson. "The city's fund has made it of no value as a residence, and the family have suffered from it for many years." "Where can we get the money?" asked Mayor Beattie. "I move that we refer the matter to a small committee, consisting of Ald. Richter, Ald. Eckert, and Ald. Stevenson, to obtain the opinion of the city solicitor, if necessary, on the matter, and give us all other information on the subject," said Mr. Stevely. "Mr. Graydon could give us his advice also."

A Valuable Property. "I second the motion," said Ald. Stevenson. "It will be a valuable property if we can possibly purchase it. It is absolutely no good as a residence, and the family have suffered from it for many years." "Where can we get the money?" asked Mayor Beattie. "I move that we refer the matter to a small committee, consisting of Ald. Richter, Ald. Eckert, and Ald. Stevenson, to obtain the opinion of the city solicitor, if necessary, on the matter, and give us all other information on the subject," said Mr. Stevely. "Mr. Graydon could give us his advice also."

KING SENDS SYMPATHY TO PROF. GOLDWIN SMITH

Latter Was Tutor to Edward When Sovereign Was Prince of Wales.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Feb. 11.—His Excellency Earl Grey has received the following cable from His Majesty King Edward VII.: "London, Feb. 11.—'Grieved to hear of my old friend, Prof. Goldwin Smith's serious accident. Pray give me news, and offer him my sympathy.' (Signed) EDWARD R." Professor Goldwin Smith was one time tutor at Oxford to his majesty, when the latter was Prince of Wales.