

UNIONISTS CONTINUE TO CAPTURE SEATS

Have Gained Seventy-Nine to Date—Latest Returns Give Them Lead of Thirty Over Liberals, Exclusive of Laborites.

STANDING OF PARTIES. London, Jan. 21.—The standing of the parties at 3 o'clock to-day follows: Unionists 130, Liberals 150, Labor 39, Nationalists 55.

London, Jan. 21.—Elections were held yesterday for 47 seats, 1 in London, 3 in English provincial boroughs, 28 in English counties, 8 in Scotland, 3 in Wales and 6 in Ireland.

Scotland has dealt a smashing blow to any lurking Unionist who hopes of gains in that portion of the "Celtic fringe" by increasing the Liberal majorities in all quarters.

London's last borough yesterday gave its verdict in favor of a Liberal. The minister re-elected W. L. A. Burdett-Coutts with his majority nearly doubled.

C. P. R. WORK ON THE ISLAND

AN INTERESTING CHAT WITH MR. MARPOLE

Waterfront Property at Sproat Lake Sold—Land-Clearing Scheme.

(From Friday's Daily.) Mr. Marpole, of the C.P.R., is in the city, having come over for the opening of the Legislature, accompanied by Mrs. Marpole.

Mr. Marpole is hopeful that the proposal which the company has to the Vancouver Island Development League will result in greater progress being made with land clearing.

tache of the British embassy at Washington, retains his seat as a Unionist for the South Farnham division of Hampshire.

The Right Hon. Herbert Louis Samuel, under secretary of the home office, was returned in Yorkshire North riding, Cleveland division.

The Right Hon. A. Ure, lord advocate for Scotland, who has been the most severely attacked candidate in the campaign since Mr. Balfour denounced him as a liar or questioner whether Conservatives would maintain the old age pension, was endorsed by his constituents by a strong vote.

Views of Ministers. Premier Asquith, speaking at Ladybank Junction, said he was not going to say anything until the matter was more developed.

introduce a bill this session bringing the plan into effect. This scheme for land-clearing has already been fully described in the Times.

Mr. Marpole announced that all the land fronting on Sproat Lake has been bought up by people in Vancouver and Victoria, who purpose erecting summer cottages.

Mr. Marpole was asked how soon it was hoped to have the line of railway in operation to Alberni. He said the work was exceedingly difficult in places, and for that reason it would not be opened for traffic quite as early as had been anticipated.

Donald McMaster, Unionist Candidate. Declares Question is Insulting. London, Jan. 21.—Donald McMaster, speaking at Chertsey, contended that the old age pensions would weaken the moral fibre of the nation.



THE POLITICAL BAROMETER

FLOODS DESTROY MUCH PROPERTY BUSINESS AT STANDSTILL IN NUMBER OF TOWNS

Chaotic Conditions in Eastern and Southern France—A Scarcity of Food.

(Times Leased Wire.) Paris, Jan. 21.—Chaotic conditions prevail throughout Eastern and Southern France to-day as the result of the disastrous floods that have swept those sections for the last three days.

Paris Subway Flooded. Paris, Jan. 21.—As the result of a cave-in in the Latin quarter side of the Seine the subway under the river was flooded to-day.

INVESTIGATION INTO LOSS OF CZARINA

Marshfield Chamber of Commerce Will Ask for Government Inquiry.

(Times Leased Wire.) Portland, Ore., Jan. 21.—Capt. Parsons, master of the steamer Alliance, from Coos Bay, states that the Chamber of Commerce of Marshfield will make a demand on the government for rigid investigation for the reason of the loss of life as a result of the recent wreck of the steamer Zarina at the entrance to Coos Bay.

ENDS HIS LIFE

Vancouver, Jan. 21.—Henry Kelloway, an inmate of the Old Folks Home, Beatty street, committed suicide this morning by cutting his throat with his own razor.

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PACIFIC MAIL WILL NOT RUN TO SEATTLE

General Manager Schwerin Discusses Rumor That Vessels Would Come North.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—"It's a pipe dream," declared Adolf J. Frey, assistant to the vice-president and general manager, R. P. Schwerin, of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, discussing to-day a report that line intends to transfer four big steamers to Seattle from San Francisco.

ARRESTED ON TRAIN

Vancouver Man Accused of Attempting to Smuggle Opium Into United States.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 21.—Charged with having attempted to smuggle ten pounds of opium across the international line, while on board the Great Northern train, Paul Webster, of Vancouver, B. C., was held in bonds of \$1,000 to the Federal Court by United States Commissioner Bowman yesterday.

BANKERS PAROLED

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Paul Stensland, former president of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank of Chicago, and Henry W. Hering, formerly its cashier, who were convicted in connection with the wrecking of the bank and the disappearance of \$1,300,000 of its funds, were paroled late yesterday by the board of pardons.

TRAINMEN ASK INCREASED WAGES

PRESENT DEMANDS TO SIXTY-FIVE RAILWAYS MANAGERS MAY SUGGEST THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ARBITRATION COMMITTEE.

(Times Leased Wire.) Cincinnati, Jan. 21.—Thousands of trainmen on the sixty-five railways operating between the Mississippi river and the Atlantic coast have presented a demand for an increase in wages, according to an announcement made here to-day.

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SUIT TO DISSOLVE RAILWAY MERGER

Chief of Harriman Interests Asks U. S. Government to Dismiss Case.

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—Attorney General Wickersham to-day granted Robert S. Lovett, chief of the Harriman interests, permission to file a written memorandum supporting his request that the government dismiss the action which seeks to dissolve the merger of the Union and Southern Pacific railways.

FRENCH-CANADIAN CONGRESS

Ottawa, Jan. 20.—At this morning's session of the French-Canadian Educational Congress a resolution was passed asking the Dominion government to appoint another French-Canadian senator for Ontario.

WON'T GOVERN WITH AID OF NATIONALISTS

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(Times Leased Wire.) London, Jan. 21.—In an official announcement issued from their headquarters to-day, the Liberal leaders declared that unless they, in combination with the Laborites and without the aid of the Irish Nationalists, are given a majority of at least forty members in the parliamentary elections now in progress, they will not accept the responsibilities of ministerial control.

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ACCOUNTS OF THE PRO STATEMENT PRESENTING OF FINANCE

Owing to Change Year They Are For Months.

The public accounts of the year which ended March last, a year consisting of 365 days, were laid on the table yesterday afternoon.

The Conservatives could not accept control because of the opposition furnished by a Liberal majority, no matter how small. If the Liberals make good their threat and refuse to accept control, it is probable that parliament will sit only one week.

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