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CABINET DROPS ENQUIRY INTO

British Government Will Not Investigate Mesopotamian Commission's Report.

LORD HARDINGE STAYS

Foreign Secretary Vetoes Acceptance of Resignation Thrice Tendered.

London, July 18.—The house of commons tonight declined to interfere further to force the resignation of Baron Hardinge, undersecretary for foreign affairs. By a vote of 176 to 81 the house rejected a motion by John Dillon to adjourn the house with a view to forcing the hands of the government to accept the resignation for his connection with the Mesopotamian campaign.

was made in the house of common today by Andrew Bonar Law that the government had decided not to proceed with the proposed judicial enquiry into the report of the commission which

thought and energies of the legislature and the executive at this critical time from the prosecution of the war. The soldiers would be dealt with by the army council in the ordinary way and diston announced as soon as

The government on the representation of the foreign secretary, who alone was in a position to judge, Mr. Bonar Law continued, had decided that it would be detrimental to the interests of the foreign office if it should, a the present juncture, be deprived of the services of Lord Hardinge, under foreign secretary, and had therefore re-fused his resignation, which had thrice been tendered. If it had been in the power of the government to refuse, the resignation of J. Austen Chamberlain as secretary for India, Mr. Bonar Law added it would have done so. John Dillon (Nationalist) announced

that he would move an adjornment of the house in order to discuss whether the resignation of Lord Hardings should not be accepted. Dillon's Indictment

In moving the adjournment of the house, Mr. Dillon powerfully indicted the government and said that the mat-ter involved the great principle of ministerial responsibility and parliament's sole chance of placing the

Mr. Chamberlain had resigned, but Lord Hardinge was, because he had powerful social influence, allowed to ride off in honor. The relatives of the agony on the banks of the Tigris. said Mr. Dillon, would condemn a parlia-ment guilty of such neglect of duty. What would the country say when i earned that the culpable officers had been courmartialed while the civilians went free? He understood that the next Dardanelles report was going to be very unpleasant, "Are we to perpetuate the British habit of saying, 'Forget it all'?" asked

The King Annoyed at Church and Ball.

Mr. Dillon.

London, July 13.

Col. Bob Low, Toronto; Why is Tommy Church so slow it putting a tar and stone top on Yonge street from Farnham to Merton street, when the good road that you built for my armen begins? Touch him with your accelerator. Also Ally Ball, the city father up that way. If they are King George's men they've got to show me. George.

Leaside, July 18. King George, London: Church at Petawawa taking salute. Ball at Masonic grand lodge looking after goat. If they do not show up on Thursday I'll put your horses and your men and your tar tanks and your crushed stone and your gasoline ironers at work instantly. Colonel Rolly Harris is still

figuring. That's his long suit. Petawawa, July 18. Jimmy Sommers, City Hall, Toronto: Cable King George that I have ordered Alderman Ball to be put in jug for disloyalty and Rolly Harris to be transported. Have Dick Baker start to bile tar tonight to tar-top Yonge street in morning. Home by seroplane.

Unionist Government Shaping up at Ottawa

(Another Special.)

of the term of parliament on Tuesday

who would like to see an extension o

parliament in order to avoid an election

element in the country of the same opinion. The great bulk of the news-

papers in the country are apparently in

favor of an extension of the term of par-

liament, and the consequent postpone

ment of what may be a bitter election.

But in the house there are two ele

ments very much opposed to union gov

ernment. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has declined to entertain proposals to that end, based on conscription, made to him by

Sir Robert Borden; and he is both against

a unionist government and an extension of

ernment to carry it out. Associated with

members of Sir Wilfrid's old guard from

other provinces, such as Hon. Frank

they are entitled to.

they are all more or less working against

it, and all were delighted to see what

Special to The Toronto World. Ottawa, July 18 .- Yesterday's paramentary events are not interpreted the proposition for a union government is dead. On the contrary the soundest opin-ion today is that the political atmosphere has been cleared, that beneath the current than ever, and that the inclusion of half a dozen English-speaking war at this stage; and there is a very large Liberals into the cabinet is within the

realm of immediate probability. For a time last evening it appeared as if the conscriptionist Liberals had suddenly decided to unite behind Sir Wilfrid Laurier, content to support conscription where conscription was popular and let their colleagues oppose it in constituencles where it is not popular. In truth, following Mr. Graham's amendment, opinion on the Conservative side of the house was that the government was being made the victim of double-dealing and treachery by the compulsory service Liberals. It was heatedly charged against, them that they had "double-crossed" the gov-

st reasons for believing, was not rightly based. On the contrary, the facts today appear to be that it was the rank and file of the conscriptionist Liberals themthe victims of a sharp piece of partisan strategy. It is now stated that Mr. Gra-ham's amendment, which temporarily upset the union government cart, was movthe report of the commission which investigated the Mesopotamia campaign.

In coming to this decision, the chancellor said, the government had been guided by the objection raised during the debate on the report to a further enquiry, and also was influenced by speech which he made, declaring that in his opinion union government "is not pos-

sible," temporarily uppet the calculation of union men on both sides of the house. Just why Mr. Graham, who was supposed to be a supporter of union government and a conscriptionist, moved such an amendment at such a time is not known, but there is a shrewd suspicion sult which it did achieve, the lining up of an almost solld Liberal contingent be hind Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Today, however, the situation has sufficiently cleared to have it known to the government that the overwhelming majority of the Liberal unionists acted in good faith. The pretended unionists having been sifted from real unionists, the government's course is clearer.

The World, altho it is without official assurance, has reason to believe that Sir Robert Borden may now be inclined to renew his offer of union government to conscriptionist Liberals openly in parliament. If the offer be refused, the country will be in a position to definitely fix responsibility for a failure to achieve union, and the premier will be free to go ahead and adopt such a policy in regard to cabinet reorganization as he deems in the public interest at this time.

Special to The Toronto World.

Ottawa, July 18.—Said a close observer from within the senate tonight: "I will not be surprised if the move for a unionist government will have grown into such strength that Sir Robert Borden may within a fortnight be asked to move again for an extension of the term of parliament."

GUNFIRE KEEPS UP ON FRENCH FRONT

German Attack Fails in Region West of

Cerny.

Paris, July 18. - This evening's official statement on military operations issued by the war office reads: "There was rather lively artillery activity in the region of Cerny and Hurtebise and in the sector of Cra-

"In the morning, we repulsed a German attack west of the Cerny sugar refinery.

"On the left bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) the enemy did not react in the course of the day west of Hill 804, except with his artillery. "In the forest of Parroy there were patrol encounters. We took prisoners. "Eastern theatre, July 17: There was cannonading and rifle firing in the region of Mayadag. During the night, several enemy patrols attempted to penetrate our lines at Tsrvena Stena and in the neighborhood of

Monastir but were repulsed. "British aviators bombarded the station at Angista"

Ottawa, July 18 .- To understand what took place in the house of commons in

Startling Disclosures of Donight, it is necessary to appreciate the forces that played a part. First of all, there is quite an element in the house mestic Brawling Made Before Coroner's Jury.

SUICIDE MENTIONED

Aunt Had Said Girl Had Killed Herself Becouse of Ill-Treatment.

Startling disclosures of alleged facts, of hearsay, of incidents and of domestic prawls, all combining to the term of parliament. Most of his fol. make an nazing story of scanlowers from the Province of Quebec are dail, were offered by Mrs. Clara. at the inques in the city morgue last them are a number of Liberals, namely, night, condu ed to enquire into the cause of the death of Mrs. Gordon's

conscription; and this element would so after learning that the girl had been

that, as far as is known, some of them done. have confessed openly that they are willhave confessed openly that they are willing to sacrifice themselves to save the country. There are also a number of itis had set in, and that it had been private members who say they are bound up with the Conservative party, as it now is, and they do not want to see the old asked him the cause. He said his wife lines broken up in any way; and under was in that room. I entered and found the old lines they will come into senatormy sister, May. She was raving and the old lines they will come into senatorthe old lines they will come into senator saying, 'Oh, what punishment! Isn't ships and other appointments they think this awful, Clara?' She repeated that time and time again.

Mrs. Gordon said that after While these two forces opposed to

unionist government, some Liberal and funeral on Wednesday, at which the some Conservative, are not known to be girl's father was present, she ques-

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Tuesday night. There are also charges going about of bad faith shown by certain Liberal M.P.'s, who object to their colleagues going into a unionist government, and who sympathize with the amendment proposed by the Hon. George Graham. looked like the downfall of coalition on WITH KALTSCHMID Graham. As a matter of fact, however, the conscription Liberals are still standing their ground; and they placed themselves on record on Monday and Tuesday, when they, as a matter of fact, distinctly and definitely separated themselves from Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Liberal party on the matter of conscription. They not only passed and published a declaration of their platform, but they appointed a spokesman. And these men are in the position of an organization today; and it is quite certain negotiations are now under way with representatives of this group with a view to co-operation, and ultimately to form a coalition government. And there are other and very powerful influences working in this direction.

Federal Grand Jury at Detroit Charges Series of Conspiracies.

And there is no doubt but that the And there is no doubt but that the prime minister has a pretty good idea of how many Liberals there are who favor coalition, and on whose assistance he can rely in carrying it out. Every move he has made within the last two or three weeks has been in that direction, and those who are on the inside say very satisfactory progress has been made; and the incident on Tuesday night went a very long way to clear; the air.

It is quite certain now that when the Special to The Toronto World.

Detroit, July 18.—Albert Kaltschmidt and 12 others, his alleged associates in conspiracy plots, were today indicted by the federal grand jury on the charge of conspiring to dynamite the armory at Windsor, the Peabody Co., Ltd., of Walkerville and the Nipigon bridge. An additional charge is included: that Kaltschmidt and associates plotted for the destruction of the St. Clair River tunnel between Port Huron and Sarnia. The new indictment embraces charges made in previous ndictants. the incident on Tuesday night went a very long way to clear the air.

It is quite certain now that when the Liberals of Canada hold their convention in Winnipeg, early in August, there will be a distinct cleavage between them and Sir Wilfrid Laurier on conscription; and they will be willing for the time being, and for the purpose of holding an election and having conscription put into operation, to enter or support a coalition government. The thing which is now on the surface, and which ought to be patent to all, is that there is a distinct realignment of party in the house of commons at this moment; and a number of supporters of Sir Wilfrid Laurier who are in favor of conscription have parted with him, for a time at least, and probably for good. And when it comes to an election, they will not only have to declare themselves to be new indictment embraces charges made in previous ndictments.

This latest charge was the drawing of a new and superceding indictment, J. Edward Bland, assistant United States district attorney explained. No date for the trial of Kaltschmidt or other alleged conspirators has been set since John E. Kinnane, United States district attorney, is awaiting further instructions from the s awaiting further instructions from th

A few days ago Mr. Kinnane received word from Washington that Kaltschmidt was not to be tried until the alleged time at least, and probably for good. And wien it comes to an election, they will not only nave to declare themselves to be conscriptionisis, but they will have to run on the piatform of a unionist government, and take the risk of an anti-conscription Liberal candidate being opposed to them in the contest. And these men see, and have seen from the start, what it means to them; and they are bound to go on with their separation from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and that they must abide by the consequences. And Sir Robert Borden is equally bound to keep faith with them and to try and arrange for a unionist government, and to do his best to try and secure the election of those Liberals who have supported his proposals.

Charles Respa, William Loefler and a other is wholly incorrect. The two unknown to federal officials.

WITNESS TELLS DRASTIC MEASURES TO QUELL SERIOUS RISING IN PETROGRAD

ATTITUDE OF MICHAELIS SOON TO BE DISCLOSED

London, July 18.—Attention is being focused on the convening Thursday afternoon of the German Reichstag.

At the opening session will be heard the first utterances of the new imperial chancellor, Dr. Michaelis, concerning his stand on the war—utterances that naturally will be momentous inasmuch as they will indicate whether, with the recent changes in the German Government, Germany is to continue her warfare without abatement, or whether the desires for peace that have been heard so often in Germany, and especially in the reichstag, are anything but empty expressions.

DESIRE SPEEDY ACTION

ON CONSCRIPTION BILL

The control of ministers and workmen's and solved derest delegates last evening it was decided to place the city under martial control. Gen. Poloviseft, governor of the military district, was summoned and instructed to use all the loyal troops to put down the insurrection. As a result he ordered out the Cossess and several companies of infantry to patrol the siteets.

One of the first clashes between the opposing forces occurred on Trolisky Bridge, where the Cossacks were armed only with sabres. A brisk fire was opened by the insurrectionists, whereupon the Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed only with sabres. A brisk fire was opened by the insurrectionists, whereupon the Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed only with sabres. A brisk fire was opened by the insurrectionists, whereupon the Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed only with sabres. A brisk fire was opened by the insurrectionists, whereupon the Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed demonstrants. The Cossacks were armed only with sabres. A brisk fire was opened by the insurrectionists, whereupon the Cossacks field up Litely Prospect, many of the whole of the solitors demonstrants of the house go into committee of the whole of the solitors of the whole was not not committee of the whole of the solitors of the control of the control of the house, and Hon. George P. Grant Maximalists were quickly as a control of the defined to place the city under martial control. Gen. Poloviseft, defined defi other provinces, such as Hon. Frank Oliver, Mr. German of Welland, Mr. Macdonald of Pictou, N.S. These are not only against a unionist government, but they are especially entagonistic to the idea of any Liberals who join or support unionist government. Hon. George Graham is included in this number, altho he voted for conservation: and this element, would so after learning that the real and the results of the least of Mrs. Gordon's niece, Florence W. Cook, 17 years old, of 333 College street.

She recited alleged conversations which she had with members of the Harry Ellis far illy, with whom Florence lived and of quarrels which developed when she (Mr. Gordon) expressed desire to have an investigation conducted.

Railway Act Discussion.

want to see unionist government. And among these it is only natural to expect that a number of the ministers, who would have to be refrired in order to make way for Liberals, would not be overfriendly to the proposition. As one member said the other day, they were going about with ropes around their necks; and, as another said, they were only waiting to be asked to walk the plank. Some of these gentlemen are credited with opposing a coalition; tho it must be confessed that, as far as is known, some of them perpetual franchise in the City of Toronto. He was supported by Messrs. Nesbitt (North Oxford), Sin-clair (Guysboro), and others, but his notion to strike out the sub-section was voted down by a large majority after the case for the hydro-electric and the City of Toronto had been presented by Hon. Frank Cochrane and Mr. Claude Macdonell. Sir Adam Beck followed the debate with keen

nterest from a seat in the press galbe non-contentious, and were adopted with little or no discussion. Those re-lating to the interchange of long distance business/between the Bell Telehone Company and the independent elephone companies were adopted after some debate as reported from the

special committee. Election Assured. Upon the orders of the day Sir Robert Borden announced that the address to the crown praying for an extension of the parliamentary term, which passed the house of commons last night, would not be sent up to the senate for approval. This is tan-tamount to official declaration that Canada is soon to have a general elec-

Upon motion of Mr. Turriff (Assini-bola) the house discussed the scarcity of farm labor in the west, and Hon. W. J. Roche, minister of the interior, told of the arrangement recently en-tered into between Washington and Ottawa to relieve the situation. Shortly after midnight the committee

rose and reported progress on the bill

tested that he could not speak for his brother Liberals, the majority of whom did not share his views on the sub-ject of conscription. Finally the house went into com-mittee as a matter of form, but rose immediately and reported progress. It will therefore be impossible to bring on the third reading of the bill before Friday. Borden Sticks to Guns. Shortly after the house assembled, Sir Robert Borden said that honorable

failure to move that the resolution for the extension of the parliamentary term, which was adopted by the house last night, be now sent to the senate for its concurrence. He had not made the motion for reasons that sufficiently appeared in his speech moving the re-solution. He had said that the extension resolution would not be further proceeded with unless it passed the house by a substantially unanimous vote. The vote had stood 82 to 62, and he, therefore, gave notice that the

This seems to make it absolutely certain that we are soon to have a gen-eral election in Canada.

Daylight Saving. Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux asked the intention of the government as to passing and bringing into effect the day-

Sir George Foster replied that the bill would become law at this session, but it would probably not be brought into force until next year. Mr. Lemieux asked if the Insurance Act now before the house would con-

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Denial by J. D. Flavelle Of Figuring in Combine

J. D. Flavelle, of Flavelles, Limited, ing no mutual financial interests. We have never bought, sold or been interested financially in any bacon or ing attention to the fact that the name of Sir Joseph Flavelle, head of the William Davies Company, was errone-ously associated with Flavelles, Limin an Ottawa report of last FriThe World has already explained
the mistake arose thru cold storand packing house companies beand packing house companies bewe ever entered into any agreement
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say for over fifty years, and during
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and the stock for this summer had ited, in an Ottawa report of last Frithat the mistake arose thru cold storage and packing house companies be-

Mr. Flavelle's letter follows: Editor World: In your issue of last Friday's paper an article appeared fe-flecting severely upon the business conducted by Flavelles, Limited, particularly referring to the abuse we are said to have made of our cold storthe name of Sir Joseph Flavelle with

our business. Both of these statements are un-true and misleading; the statement During the year 1916 we are charged that the financial interests of the three with making a profit of ten cents pe brothers are interwoven with each dozen. This statement is absurdly in-

other meat products. Never in Combine. We have been in business in Lind-

ing mentioned by number, not by with any other business man or com-then to be reordered. The difficulties name, in the O'Connor report. ing price to the producer or advance arrival of these new goods, and selling the selling price to the consumer. We must be stimulated during the balance have attempted to conduct our business in a legitimate manner with the portion of the straw hat season or a portion of the straw hat season or a portion of the stock will have to be carried over. A reduction to "at the carried over. A reduction to at the carried over." best ability we possess. We are one carried over. A reduction to "at the of the ploneers of the cold storage factory" prices is therefore scheduled movement in Canada, and we have no are said to have made of our cold stor-age facilities, in securing undue and excessive profit upon bacon and eggs this much misunderstood industry is firm dwells with justifiable pride on during war time, and also connecting of inestimable value to the farmers and food consumers.

Loss in Eggs.

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Russian Capital Under Martial Control Following Series of Bloody Clashes Between Cossacks and Anarchists --- Premier Denies Members of Cabinet are Under Arrest.

Moscow, July 18. — The local council of the Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates, after a discussion of the disturbances in Petrograd by a vote of 442 against 242, decided not to allow street demonstrations in Moscow.

curred in the neighborhood of the duma. The Maximalists were quickly dispersed, leaving behind seventeen wounded. the house, and Hon. George P. Gra-ham objected. The government ex-pressed the desire to have the third reading of the bill tomorrow by una-nimous consent, but Mr. Graham pro-

A majority of the regiments of the Petrograd garrison and most of the armored motor car detachments are supporting the government. A machine gun regiment stationed at Strieina has signified its willingness to come to the government's aid.

A group of Maximalists were arrested by patrols on their way to take possession of the telegraph and cable office.

tween patrolling forces of the govern-ment and Maximalists which occurred last night, the city this morning was quiet under a continuous downpour of rain. Yesterday's list of casualties, so far as ascertained, comprises six persons kileid and 238 wounded.

Most of those killed yesterday were of Nachdachenskia troops who opened fire on unarmed Cossacks passing in the Nevsky Prospect. Their own fir-(Continued on Page 3, Col. 4).

The Cold Storage Crime,

(Christian Guardian.) The report presented last week to the commissioner, Mr. W. F. O'Connor, relative to cold storage in Canada and its effect upon prices, has not made very pleasant reading. It seems to give official and very positive proof to what has long been a suspicion on the part of many, that the holdings of meat and produce in cold storage in Canada during recent years have frequently been excessive and altogether abnormal, with the result that large dealers had a terribly effective weapon of speculation in their hands, which they were not averse to using, and that prices to the consumer were forced up far beyond what any legitimate law of supply and demand would take them. We are storcely yet in possession of the detail of facts to enable us to say how much blame should be attached to certain well-known firms that are charged with making excess profits that run into millions, but we certainly are in a position to say that uncontrolled cold storage as we have had it in Canada is a crime against the people of too big and brutal a kind to be any longer tolerated, and we are in a position to issist that the government take action of the most drastic kind, and take it at once. The feelings of the public, made specially sensitive for many reasons, will not stand such outrage any longer. re scarcely yet in possession of the de-

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