

MORINE RESIGNS OFFICE ON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Government Has Accepted the Resignation and the Commission Will Be Reorganized—Action Is Result of Charges Made by F. B. Carvell in the House of Commons.

Ottawa, April 7.—It is understood that Mr. A. B. Morine, chairman of the public service commission, has sent his resignation to the Government. The Government has decided to accept it. This action is the result of the charges made by Mr. F. B. Carvell, in the House of Commons, that the charges are groundless, and are the means taken by partisans alarmed at the prospects of exposure through the work of the commission, to discredit its findings.

LIVELY TWO WEEKS PROMISED FOR WHITNEY GOVERNMENT

Mr. Rowell to Continue His Vigorous Campaign in Legislature.

Toronto, April 8.—Now that the session of the Legislature has been prolonged over Easter and the immediate necessity for getting through has been dispelled, there is every indication that history of some importance will be made during the next fortnight. When the House reassembles on Tuesday Mr. Rowell will have the opportunity to discuss the motion standing in the name of Hon. A. G. MacKay protesting against the speaker's ruling on certain questions that were put on the order paper, and subsequently withdrawn. On Wednesday the Liberal leader in all probability will press the Government for a statement on the situation relating to bilingual

schools. Then Mr. Rowell proposes to make a further reference to the Elk Lake telegram, which has already attracted some attention in debate. While it is not expected that specific legislation designed to introduce the treating system will be introduced this session, it is confidently understood that the Government's policy is sufficiently well advanced to warrant the prediction that Sir James Whitney will attempt to checkmate Mr. Rowell by introducing a resolution of the Legislature that it is probable that the Government will incorporate its decision in a resolution submitted to the House before prorogation.

MAPLE SYRUP WAS IN GREAT DEMAND

Many Farmers Had Not Enough and Took Orders for Later Filling

Ingersoll, April 8.—There was a large attendance at the market on Saturday. Expectations of townspeople in regard to maple syrup were realized, as large quantities were offered. The demand was keen, and those who tested the syrup pronounced it first quality. The market opened with the price at \$1.25, and there was no fluctuation. The demand was so keen that the supply was soon exhausted, and many orders were taken for delivery next week. Unless the weather turns unusually mild, much syrup will be made during the next few days. The sap is flowing splendidly, and the probability is that large quantities of syrup will be made and marketed next week.

The services in local churches yesterday were all in keeping with the Easter season. Sermons on the resurrection were preached in a most forceful and impressive manner, while inspiring religious music, which had been faithfully rehearsed, was rendered by the choirs. All the services were largely attended.

Since Friday the Thames has been very high, but on Saturday afternoon it began to gradually recede. Very little damage has been caused, notwithstanding that the water has been the highest in years. The public library statistics for the month of March show that 1,350 books were issued to adults, and 227 to juveniles, making a total of 2,187.

DR. FLANDERS ACCEPTS

Made Announcement to His Congregation on Sunday. [Canadian Press.] St. John, N. B., April 8.—Rev. Dr. Flanders, of Centenary Methodist Church, announced today that he would accept a call to the First Methodist Church, London, Ontario. He was under promise to Charlotte, N. C., where he had been released from his promise.

CHelsea GREEN SCHOOL REPORT. The order in which the names appear show the pupils' class standing: Senior Room. Senior IV.—Gladys Cornelius, Hannah Chambers, Bert Haynes, Junior IV.—Daniel Fleming, (Wanda Weston and Lizzie Fleming, equal), Norman Greenside, Will Snider, George Clayton, Gordon Haynes, Daisy Needham.

Junior III.—Bertha Chittick, May Needham, Kathleen Clarke, Carrie Pierson, (George Haynes and Rose Bourne, equal), John Pierson, Alfreda Bourne, Norman Stewart, Jack Clarke, Willie Watson, George Tye. Junior II.—Bertha Greenside, Irene Steele, Roy Robinson, George Bourne, Elsie Clarke, Percy Clayton. Junior Room. Senior First, A.—Fred Corby, Walter Giblin, (Gerald Snider and Graham Bruce, equal), Vera Robinson, Margaret Chittick, Harold Chambers, Raymond Durnin, John Strain, Clayton Storey, Harry Swindall, Donald Posey, Velma Tye. Senior First, B.—Evelyn Clarke (George Fleming and Alldine Robinson, equal), Winnie Cornelius, Eddie Weston, Richard Welch, Alex. Clayton, James Haynes. Senior Primer—Susie Clarke, Forby Durnin, Jack Corby, Walter Needham, Frank Welch, Alex. Strain, Winnie Cummings. Junior Primer, B.—Harold Robinson, Elsie Haynes, Marion Jackson, Bert Clayton, Isabel Clayton, Margaret Bourne, Maisie Stewart, Amos Corby, Annie Clayton, Frank Swindall, George Slade.

QUEBEC ELECTIONS. Quebec, April 6.—There is a rumor here to the effect that the provincial elections will not be held before the autumn, it being argued that the bad state of the roads at this season of the year may delay dissolution.

VIGIL IN VAIN. Washington, April 6.—Land-seekers who have stood in line in the North Yukon, Washington, land office since January, are waiting the opportunity to win. The irrigation fruit farms in the Tieton project, have had their long vigil in vain. The reclamation service today announced that no advantage would be gained by early filing.

RIVER THAMES RAPIDLY DROPPING

Expected That By This Evening It Will Be at Normal Level.

A SCARE ON SATURDAY

The Water Rose Rapidly, and for a Time An Inundation Seemed Certain.

The Thames, which has been in flood for a couple of days, is rapidly receding, and it is expected that by night it will be almost normal. The water has dropped from 8 feet 6 inches to 4 feet 6 inches in the last 24 hours. However, during Saturday night West London was nearer being flooded out than at any time this spring. Only the hard work of City Engineer Wright and a number of men prevented a disaster.

The water continued to drop Saturday afternoon, and early in the evening. Later it started to rise again, and the danger was pronounced. A gang of men had been on the watch at the danger spots, north of Blackfriars bridge, at the Colling's icehouse, and at the Saunby dam. Shortly before midnight the water had risen to over eight feet, and was rising. City Engineer Wright was on duty, and saw the danger. A team was ordered out, and a large quantity of sand in bags was brought to this spot. Shortly afterwards the planking protecting the dam was swept away by a particularly vicious current, and the protection of this weak point in the embankment was removed. Prepared for this emergency, the inside of the piles were planked. Then with a load of boulders brickbats and the like were poured into the hole, and after an hour's work the leak was stopped, and the danger passed. Shortly after this the water began to recede, and in a short time, at daylight, it had gone down perceptibly. At 2 o'clock in the morning 11 inches of water was in the going over the dam, and at midnight 7 feet 6 inches was the mark. From that time on, however, the river ran down rapidly, until this afternoon only four feet was going over the dam.

Cold Spell Helped. The sudden drop in the temperature helped greatly. On Saturday night it started to rain, and fears were expressed that this would create a still worse flood. It was very warm, and with rain falling all the time, it would have been a disaster. In the small streams would be loosened to add to the big flood. However, the warm rain did not continue long. The wind commenced to blow, and it raised the temperature dropped, and the rain was changed to snow. All Sunday, the cold, north-west wind continued, and as there was no possibility of snow melting, the volume of water in the river was not added to. The Thames had a chance to get rid of the enormous quantities on hand, without endangering the lives and property along the banks.

A Record of the Thames. Old-timers cannot recall when such a large amount of water went down the river. On one or two occasions, the river rose higher, but it never remained at flood tide for so long a stretch of time. It would have been a disaster for several hours, and then it went down, but for nearly 60 hours, it went down from 8 to 10 feet of water continuously. This puzzled river men, and it was a great deal of anxiety for a time. The water rose within four inches as high as it did on Friday night, with the result that the planking protecting the dam at this point was swept away. We had a gang of men, and we set to work to plank inside the piles, and the bags of sand were thrust into the crevices. After considerable effort, we were enabled to get the bricks and other materials were forced into the place. The result was that we effectively plugged the leak, and prevented the flood. The water went down after that, and it is still going down. The cold snap will give the flood water a chance to get away. My information is that there is not sufficient ice and snow left in the country to cause the river to rise to any dangerous height. I think we can breathe easier now.

Damage Not Great. The property damage will not be so great as anticipated. The residents along the river line road, whose houses were flooded considerably, are enabled to return to them. The Dexters' dam is damaged somewhat, but it is not serious. The Dexters' dam is not serious. The grounds of the London Bowling Club are submerged, and it is feared that the club will suffer considerably. Large sections of the breakwater have been worn away, but these will be replaced when the council continues their construction work this summer. The Cove ranges a wall under water, but the loss there will not be extravagant.

Personal Mention. Mr. Cecil Walker and bride (former Miss Alma Halberstadt), of Preston, are visiting Mr. Walker's sister, Mrs. Charles Element, 740 Elliot street. Miss Lila Merkle, of Piccadilly street, entertained a few of her friends in honor of her birthday recently. The evening was spent in games, interspersed with musical numbers. The pleasing event ended with a dainty luncheon.

Mr. Leonard Deacon, of Netherleigh & Co., Toronto, is spending Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Deacon, of 47 Stanley street. Grand Master Poonlestone, of the I. O. F., was here Saturday on his way home from Orangeville. The official visit to the town had to be postponed on account of an outbreak of smallpox. The local brethren at their regular meeting held a progressive euchre party, which was greatly enjoyed.

Mr. D. R. Harrison, principal of public schools, Port Arthur, and Mrs. W. E. Best and children, Thamesville, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCracken, Mrs. N. C. Stirling, Mrs. Olive Stirling, Mrs. N. C. Stirling, Mrs. Nancy Harrison, of Glencoe, and Mrs. Nancy Harrison, of Thamesville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Link, 740 York street, over the Easter week-end.

Now Comes the Real Business of Freshening the Home and Making Ready for Summer Comfort

Home is our first thought at all seasons. The question of improving or painting the house and setting it in order for the summer is as perennial as spring-time itself. The feeling for change keeps time with nature. At this season of the year there is a longing for lighter textures, brighter colors; furniture of ease and comfort, and today we invite you to come and see how carefully we have anticipated your needs and desires.



Satisfaction that dollars and cents will not express comes with the possession of a carpet or rug that is in harmony with the other decorations of a room. Our showing of all descriptions of floor coverings, filling every requirement from the smallest hearth rug to the rich tufted Axminster, was never more complete. Spring cleaning has started with a rush, and we would advise our customers to make early selections. By making a small cash deposit you can have any particular carpet or rug laid aside until you are ready for it.

Smallman & Ingram's Imported Axminster Rugs

6.9x9	\$11.50 to \$23.00	9x12	\$24.00 to \$50.00
9x9	\$15.00 to \$25.00	10.6x12	\$29.00 to \$55.00
9x10.6	\$21.00 to \$35.00	10.6x13.6	\$32.00 to \$65.00
12x15			\$55.00

Smallman & Ingram's Special Wilton Rugs

4.6x6	\$8.75 to \$16.00	9x9	\$21.00 to \$42.00
4.6x7.6	\$10.00 to \$18.00	9x10.6	\$24.50 to \$45.00
4.6x9	\$12.50 to \$21.00	9x12	\$28.00 to \$52.00
6.9x9	\$15.00 to \$25.00	11.3x12	\$35.00 to \$55.00
11.3x13.6			\$39.50 to \$65.00

Smallman & Ingram's Imported Velvet Rugs

9x9	\$15.00	9x12	\$20.00
9x10.6	\$18.00	10.6x12	\$25.00

Smallman & Ingram's Special Brussels Rugs

6.9x9	\$8.75 to \$10.00	9x12	\$15.00 to \$27.00
9x9	\$12.00 to \$21.00	11.3x12	\$21.00 to \$26.00
9x10.6	\$15.50 to \$25.00	11.3x13.6	\$29.00

Smallman & Ingram's Imported and Domestic Tapestry Rugs

2.1-4x3	\$6.00	3x4	\$8.50 to \$14.50
3x3	\$7.50 to \$12.50	3 1/2x4	\$10.00 to \$17.50
3 1/2x4 1/2			\$12.50 to \$17.00

Scotch Wool Rugs

3x3 1/2	\$17.00 to \$21.00	3x4	\$23.00
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See New Curtains and Drapery Materials Fourth Floor

Don't miss this display. Every new idea is shown here, and even if you don't intend purchasing it will be interesting to inspect these new materials and find out for yourself the new things that are shown. We would draw visitors' attention especially to the better grades of curtains which are shown here in excellent assortment. You will find the prices lower, perhaps, than you are accustomed to pay for qualities such as we are showing at \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00 to \$25.00. Here are a few lines priced considerably under regular value in popular-priced curtains, \$2.69 to \$6.00 a pair.

Special \$2.69 Pair

50 pairs Cable Net, Nottingham, Swiss Net, also Scotch Net Curtains; sold regularly at \$3.50 and \$3.75, for sale price \$2.69.

Special \$5.00 Pair

New designs—New stock in Irish point and Arabian Curtains, which may be had in white, ecru or ivory. These we consider unequalled value. Sale price \$5.00. Draperies—Fourth Floor.

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Exceptional values in ecru, ivory and white, in Irish Point Brussels, Arabian, Duchess and Venetian Point, artistic designs for any window. Special, per pair \$6.00.

ICE CREAM AND DAINTY AFTERNOON TEAS—3 TO 5:30 IN RESTAURANT.



Visitors' Days

Strangers in the city are invited to visit our House Furnishing, Drapery, Carpet, Wall Paper and Furniture Department, on the third and fourth floors, where the displays will gladden your eyes.

In the Upholstery Section new things are everywhere and in furniture you will see a great lot of every kind of furniture for the home, the porch and summer cottage.

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We hope you will walk through and enjoy yourself. Furniture, Carpets, Linoleums, Etc., included in our world-wide free delivery.



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Plain Crex Carpets, 1 1/2 yards wide	80c
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Figured Runners, any length, 1 yard	70c
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Plain Crex Rugs—36x72, \$1.50; 54x90, \$2.75; 6x9, \$4.50; 8x10, \$6.50; 9x12, \$8.75. Figured Crex Rugs—36x72, \$1.50; 54x90, \$3.00; 6x9, \$5.00; 8x10, \$7.50; 9x12, \$10.00.

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Third Floor.

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