

REPORT CURZON SURE TO SUCCEED BONAR LAW

Have Fire Department Probed By Experts, Says Judd

INDICATES LORD CURZON MOST LIKELY SUCCESSOR TO BRITISH PREMIERSHIP

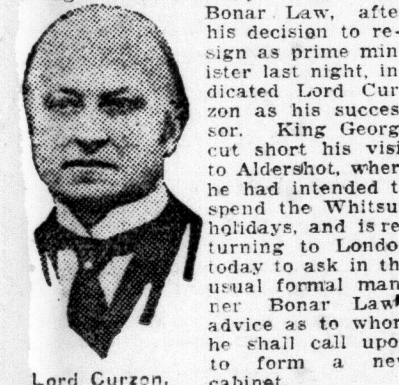
Opinion Differs as to Advisability of Choosing Foreign Secretary.

OPERATE ON LAW

King George Cuts Short Whitsuntide Vacation to Consider Naming Leader.

BULLETIN. Special Cable to The Advertiser. London, May 21.—A slight operation was performed on the throat of Andrew Bonar Law today, an official bulletin from the bedside of the premier, who resigned last night, stated today. "Otherwise Mr. Bonar Law's condition is unchanged," the bulletin said.

By HAL O'FLAHERTY. Special Cable to The London Advertiser and Chicago Daily News, Copyright. London, May 21.—It is definitely though not officially stated that Bonar Law, after his decision to resign as prime minister last night, indicated Lord Curzon as his successor.



Lord Curzon.

Regarded With Respect. While Lord Curzon is regarded with every respect by his Conservative colleagues, it is not in line today to take the leadership in the trying times ahead of a prime minister—popularity. Within the last six months, according to his own party men, he has proved himself to be a man of great difficulties with hardly any power to throw them off on other shoulders.

Within the last few days he has shown more gentility as a politician than ever before, in the recent debate on the Russian situation. Curzon talked with the lobby correspondents in the House of Commons, displaying such a remarkable sense of humor and such gentility as to astonish his auditors, who for years have expected from him nothing but extremely formal and cold speeches.

Bonar Law's breakdown was fore-shadowed some time ago in the newspapers, but perhaps it came sooner than was expected, leaving the Conservative party in a decidedly weak condition. For months the premier turned to Page Two, Columns 2 and 3.

ACQUITTED OF HAVING LIQUOR IN HIS AUTO

Whitney Bullard Dismissed on Charge of O. T. A. Violation.

Whitney Bullard was acquitted in police court of a charge of having liquor in a place other than his dwelling house and with violation of section 41 of the O. T. A. Act. Last stated that on Saturday evening he had seen a crowd around a car on Waterloo street. He had seen Bullard beside the car, which was slightly damaged, and in his opinion Bullard was under the influence of drink.

A large glass jar, said to have been found under the back seat of the car, was produced in court. The police witnesses believed this bottle to have contained whiskey, judging by the smell, although A. M. Judd, who appeared for the accused, declared it was more like vinegar. The bottle was almost empty.

P. C. Loader and Sergeant Tomblin gave evidence supporting Sergeant Last, and added that Bullard had required considerable assistance to get to the station.

Joseph Little, who owned the car that was in collision with Bullard's machine, said he was of the opinion that Bullard was drunk, but he had not seen the glass jar supposed to have contained the liquor.

Whitney Bullard declared that he was sober, having had but one drink at four o'clock in the afternoon. He complained that Little had been to blame for the accident. He had no knowledge, he said, of the bottle under the back seat.

The court decided that there was not sufficient evidence to prove that the accused knew of the bottle in the car, but found him guilty of being intoxicated and imposed a fine of \$10 and costs.

REPORT FLEEING MURDERER HIDING NEAR NORTH BAY

North Bay, Ont., May 21.—At 2:30 this afternoon word was received here that Leo Rogers, fleeing murderer, was hiding in a bush at the outskirts of North Bay. Provincial police were immediately rushed to the victim in an effort to apprehend him.

FROM POOR CANADIAN TO BRITISH PREMIER

Andrew Bonar Law is a Canadian, and though he spent only the first twelve years of his life in Canada they were undoubtedly a dozen of the formative years of his career. For, in those years he knew the pinch of poverty, he knew what it was to have to wear his father's made-over clothes, he knew the knocks and hardships of pioneer life in a rough New Brunswick region. He was the fifth son of a Presbyterian minister, Rev. James Law, who had come out from County Antrim, Ireland, and married a Halifax girl named Kidston when he settled at the little village of Rexton, in Kent county.

They were twelve momentous years, moreover, in the sense that they were formative years in Canadian history. They marked the accomplishment of the Canadian Confederation, for Bonar Law was born in 1855, and it was 1870 when he left New Brunswick region. He was at the fifth son of a Presbyterian minister, Rev. James Law, who had come out from County Antrim, Ireland, and married a Halifax girl named Kidston when he settled at the little village of Rexton, in Kent county.

Made First Trousers. How she made Bonar Law's first pair of trousers for him from an old pair of his father's is the story told by Mrs. Margaret Wood, aged 82, now living in St. John county, N.B. It was when the premier-to-be was only two years old. His mother had died, and Mrs. Wood had been engaged as nurse.

It was the deathbed promise made to the mother by Bonar Law's aunt, Miss Kidston, of Glasgow, that was responsible for the boy leaving Canada. "Will you take care of Bonar," she said, "and the dying place of the mother. She knew what the hardships of her husband were. He had to eke out a living by farming as well as preaching, and he had little 15-acre farm to till between his long and toilsome journeys to cover his rough parish. When Mrs. Kidston heard this last request and looked at little Bonar, she promised, so at the age of 10 the lad was taken to Glasgow and sent to school.

"Bonar was always a good boy, and his father never had to punish him," is the testimony of the boy's aunt, Mrs. Wood, who was a studious nature, well behaved at home and at school. She also asserts that he never had a sick day while she lived at the Law home.

James S. Hanny, of Brandon, Man., was one of the fellow pupils of Bonar Law at that little school, which was conducted by Charles B. Pittblado, father of the well-known Winnipeg lawyer, Isaac Pittblado. "Bonar was more or less boisterous," says Hanny, "but Bonar was a quiet chap. He took but little interest in the play of the other boys, and he rather frightened look on his face most of the time, as if he were afraid of the future."

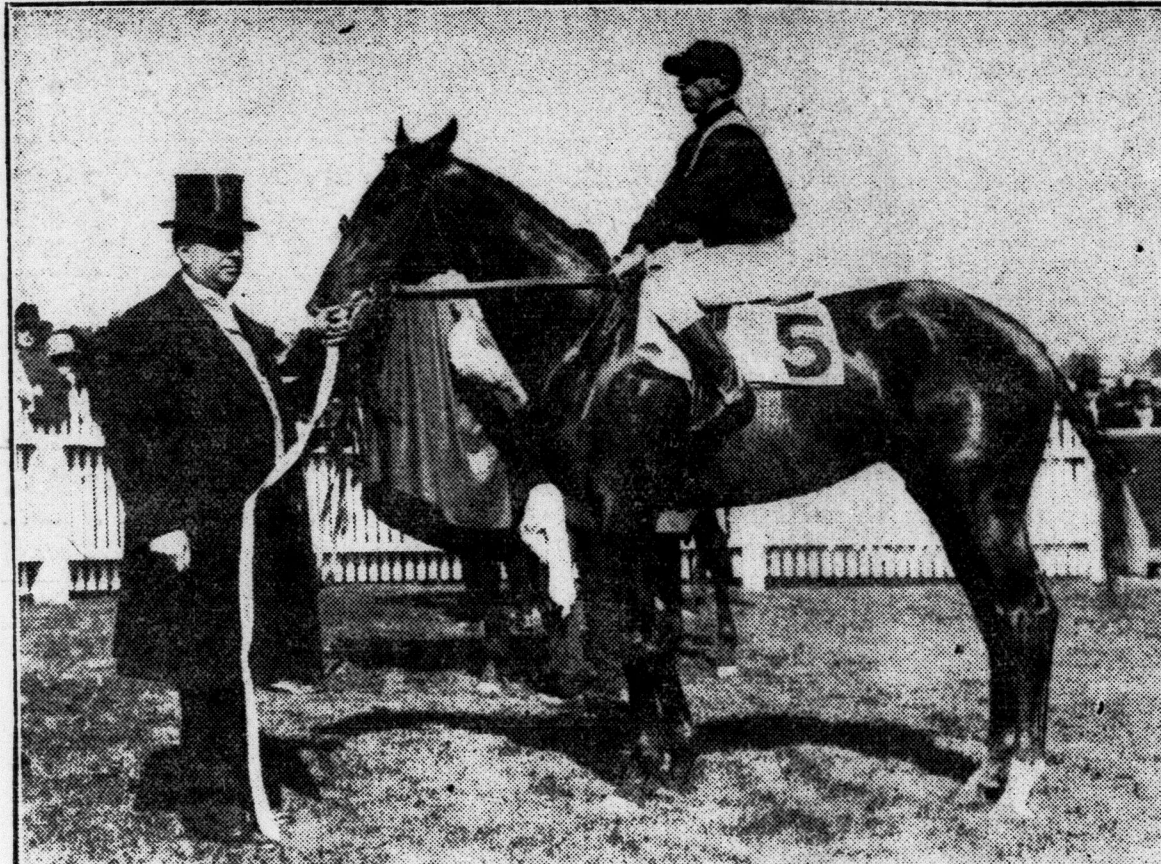
Still Owns Farm. The little farm on which he was born and spent the early years of his life is still owned by Bonar Law. It is a most modest dwelling that the Law had as their home, only one story and a half in height, and with four bedrooms, an upstairs room used as a study, and a dining-room, drawing-room and kitchen. The older brothers worked the farm for some years and then scattered. Robert conducted a store at Rexton, N.B., until he died there. Dr. William Law went to the United States and later to Coleraine, Ireland, to practise. The others went to other parts of the world. It is interesting to recall that about the same time that Rev. James Law came to Canada another Presbyterian minister, Rev. William Aitken, came out and settled in the Miramichi district. The two became firm friends, and here the hand of destiny began to play. Rev. William Aitken had a large family, and one of his sons was named Max. That boy had a spectacular career in the world of finance. He, too, went to England, and the chronicles of current history assert that he was the "king maker" who planned the Lloyd George cabinet, which eventually led him to the premiership. The sons of the manse carried their friendship from the new world to the old.

Had to Touch Church Doors During Walking Match

Isle of Man Competitors Stage a Unique Tramping Contest Extending Through Seventeen Parishes and Snow-Covered Mountain.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, May 21.—Walking matches, which some years ago became almost a craze here, are again becoming popular. One was held in the Isle of Man the past week-end, and it embraced the whole island. The competitors were required to touch a church door in each of seventeen parishes, and the course led over the mountains in the south of the island, which were covered with snow. One of the competitors lost his way. The winner of the walking match covered the distance in 20 hours and 23 minutes.



THE WINNER OF THE KING'S PLATE. This is Flowerful, the Seagram entry that upset all predictions by winning the classic King's Plate event at the Woodbine on Saturday. He was photographed by the Advertiser staff photographer just as he was going on the track for the race. E. F. Seagram, his owner, is shown standing at his horse's head.

TOOK DRINK ON STREET AND IT COST HIM \$200

Port Elgin Man Fined For Having Bottle in His Clothes.

James A. Poole, of Port Elgin, who was on his way from Chicago to his home, was found guilty of having liquor in his possession under section 41 of the O. T. A. and fined \$200 and costs, in the police court this morning.

P. C. Johnstone, who stated that he had noticed Poole on Sunday morning take a sip of whiskey on the way going along Dundas street toward the asylum. He had seen him go up a side lane and take a drink from a bottle he had taken out of his pocket.

Poole admitted that he had taken this drink, but claimed that his doctor in Chicago had ordered him to take a sip of whiskey on the way home to steady him up from a bout of drinking which he had undergone some days ago. He was not aware, he said, that it was illegal to carry a bottle in Ontario.

Magistrate Graydon, while sympathizing to some extent with a man who had been so frank as the accused, regretted that he had no discretion in the matter, and that the law called for such a drastic punishment which he was forced to impose. Five other men charged with being intoxicated, paid \$10 each and costs into the court coffers this morning. The case of Charles Howard, who was charged with a breach of the city bylaw in keeping his horse-shoeing establishment open on Wednesday afternoon, was remanded for a week, during which time the city council are expected to deal with the bylaw in question.



W. G. CONNOLLY. Reeve of Watford, chosen as the Liberal candidate in East Lambton.

One Blames the Workers, the Other, Millionaires

Montreal Professor Says Laborers in Britain, by Slacking Off, Cause Poverty—Robert Smillie Says Rich Responsible.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, May 21.—While William Caldwell, professor of moral philosophy, McGill University, Montreal, was addressing the London School of Economics, and stating that it was his conviction that there was a vast amount of slacking among the workers of this country, Robert Smillie, Glasgow, president of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain, and president of the Scottish Miners' Federation, was declaring to an audience in Paisley that they could not have millionaires without having terrible poverty at the same time.

Smillie, in his speech, was urging a rival in trade union membership, and declaring that the coal mine owners were most anxious to revoke the seven-hour work day, and return to the eight-hour day. He said he hoped if such legislation were introduced, there would be a general stoppage of work throughout the country.

Smillie remarked: If Adam, when he was turned out of Eden, had begun to save 30 shillings a week, he would not yet have been a millionaire.

The Sunday Times, commenting on Smillie's speech, wants to know why Smillie would regard Adam as such a fool as not to have invested the 30 shillings per week savings. The Sunday Times says if Adam had taken advantage of the first dawnings of trade and the opportunities placed in his way as an investor, he would now own the whole earth.

JUVENILE THIEF ESCAPES ARREST BY A THRASHING

Crumlin Man Administers Old-Fashioned Justice to Lad Who Robbed Him.

Given the option of being arrested or taking a horse-whipping, such as he had never before experienced, a youth of 17 chose the latter alternative, when he was caught by his uncle after having stolen some \$600 from him during the night.

Ed. Spence, well-known cattle buyer at Crumlin, who was with him, told this morning to find that a large sum of money, with which he had intended purchasing some cattle today, was missing. Staying with him for the past few days had been a cousin, 17 years of age, who had been getting into hot water more or less continually since he came to Crumlin. Mr. Spence immediately decided that the boy had taken the money and got ready to come to the city and look for him. He then discovered that not only was the money missing, but that his boots had disappeared. These were found after a short search, and Mr. Spence started out. A visit to another relative's house disclosed no trace of the boy, and the farmer was on his way to the railway station to make inquiries when he saw him strolling along Richmond street, near the Advertiser. He got out and accosted the youth, who denied the accusation until his uncle threatened to call the nearest policeman. The boy then weakened and admitted the theft, returning all the money to his uncle.

Mr. Spence put the boy in the back of the car and started back. Arriving home he ordered him to the barn, picked up a horsewhip and punished him in the old-fashioned way. He then was told to go and not come back again.

The reason given for whipping the boy rather than turning him over to the juvenile court, was that Mr. Spence felt the result would probably shame him more and have a better effect.

AVERT NEW YORK STRIKE

New York, May 21.—A strike of 10,000 painters in New York and neighboring cities, which was scheduled to begin today, was averted yesterday, when employers met all union demands. The settlement was effected after a conference of three days.

JUDD URGES PLAN USED IN HOSPITAL FOR FIRE PROBE

Would Ask Citizens' Research Institute To Survey Entire Department.

END THE SQUABBLE

Finance Chairman to Introduce Motion at Tonight's Council Meeting.

Ald. Albert Judd, chairman of the finance committee of the city council, moves tonight to bring the fire department squabble to a "show-down." "At tonight's session of the council I will suggest a plan that should prove a better solution than any of the so-called city council investigations," the chairman explained.

"I will recommend to Mayor Wenig and members of the council that we bring to London representatives of the Citizens' Research Institute, the same people who surveyed Victoria Hospital, and let them go into the fire department situation thoroughly.

"They will bring in their recommendations and advise us what to do, and we could act upon their findings, as is being now accomplished. I understand, at the city hospital.

"Their findings will be impartial. I am confident. That is their business. They will know the local situation as soon as they complete their work, and I am sure that this would be the most satisfactory manner in which to overcome this difficulty. It would be much better than having an investigation by the aldermen, or some of them, as the danger would be too great that personalities would enter into the matter."

Ald. Judd believes that a survey, investigation, probe, or whatever one has the mind to term it, should be called without delay in order to "clear the air" and lift all suspicion from the fire department. He purposes bringing this question to the immediate attention of the council for action.

It is his further opinion that those who are reported to have signed a petition for an investigation do not desire one any sooner than all members of the department, who seek a "show-down."

He adds that if "these men believe they have any bona fide charge they had better put it in writing in a regular manner."

"You can't try a person until you know what the charge is," he declared.

J. HASLEM BENN DIES

Canadian Press Despatch. St. Catharines, May 21.—J. Haslem Benn died yesterday at the General Marine Hospital, after a few hours' illness, and his death was a surprise, as he was associated with the firm of Alexander Ogilvie & Co., Montreal.

He served in the Fenian Raid with the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto.

Britishers Likely To Succeed Law

(Associated Press Despatch. London, May 21.—Following are the members of the Conservative party most prominently mentioned as likely to succeed Andrew Bonar Law as premier: Marquis Curzon, foreign secretary, formerly viceroy of India and member of the imperial war council. Born Jan. 11, 1859.

Stanley Baldwin, chancellor of the exchequer, and acting premier during the recent illness of Bonar Law. Formerly financial secretary of the treasury. Born Aug. 2, 1867.

Earl of Derby, secretary for war. Formerly under secretary for war and director of recruiting. Born April 4, 1865.

Austen Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer in the Lloyd George ministry. Formerly postmaster-general. Born in 1863.

Earl Balfour, former premier, foreign secretary in the Lloyd George cabinet. Born July 25, 1848.

PRELIMINARY WORK ON NEW WESTERN FAIR BUILDING.

In the above photo by The Advertiser camera man, is shown the preliminary work in the erection of the new industrial building at Queen's Park. This photo was taken from the southwest corner of the building, and shows the start of the excavation for the cellar, the cribbing or forms for the cement underfootings, and gives an excellent idea of the size of the new building as compared to the old Crystal Palace in the left background. The work is being pushed by the contractors, G. W. Wilson & Son, the successful tenderers, in order to have the building completed in time for this year's fair.



MRS. GORDON WRIGHT. Presiding at the sessions of the London branch of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, opening in First Methodist Church this afternoon.

STRUCK BY AUTO, THREE BADLY HURT WHEN FIXING TIRE

Young Men Taken to Toronto Hospital as a Result of Mishap.

ARREST CAR DRIVER

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, May 21.—Leonard Burrell, aged 23, married, R. Williams, aged 22, both of Toronto, and Jack Elliott, aged 23, of Cheltenham, are in the Western Hospital, all in a dangerous condition as a result of being hit by a motor car at stop 56 on the Hamilton Highway early this morning.

The three young men had been to Hamilton for a motor trip and were returning to the city when they had a puncture at stop 56. They all got out of the car to fix the tire which had played out, and were busily at work when a touring car coming east crashed into them. The three men were bowled over like tin snips, and Burrell was badly hurt. An ambulance took the three victims to the Western Hospital.

Chief Constable W. H. Rutledge of Port Credit hurried to the scene of the accident and placed Joe Cadorin under arrest, charging him with reckless driving. Another Italian who was driving with Cadorin managed to make his escape during the confusion which prevailed, and immediately following the accident.

Burrell was rendered unconscious and is in a critical condition. His head is badly fractured, his face lacerated, and every portion of his body is bruised or cut.

Williams is suffering from back injuries which are considered of a highly dangerous nature. His shoulder injuries are also serious, and he has cuts on face and limbs.

Elliott's injuries, which are considered by medical attendants the least serious of the three, consist of severe head injuries, possible concussion, and affected ear drums, together with dislocated shoulder and cuts on his face, hands and limbs.

CREW OF THE DEMMER ARRIVES AT THE SOO

Had Barely Time To Take To Boats Before Steamer Went Down.

Canadian Press Despatch. St. Louis, Mo., May 21.—The twenty-seven members of the crew of the steamer Edward W. Demmer, which sank in Lake Huron Sunday, after having been struck by the steamer Saturn of the Inter-Lake Steamship Company, arrived here early today. The crew barely had time to take to the boats before the Demmer went down.

Twenty-six members of the crew were picked up by the steamer Eads. Whereabouts of the Saturn is not here.

The Demmer was owned by the Milwaukee Western Fuel Company.



The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 67; lowest, 51. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 59; lowest, 44. Barometric Readings. Sunday—8 p.m., 30.1. Today—8 a.m., 30.13.

DEMANDS HARDING CUT SUGAR DUTY BY 50 PER CENT

Chairman Hull of Democratic Commission Asks U. S. To Follow Canada's Example.

CONSUMER BENEFITS

Claims Tariff Costing American People \$4,000,000 Annually in Excessive Prices.

Washington, May 21.—Chairman Hull of the Democratic National Commission, has renewed his request on President Harding for 50 per cent reduction of sugar tariff rates under the flexible provisions of the new law.

"The recent action of Canada in reducing the tariff on raw sugar 40 cents on 100 pounds, and on refined sugar 50 cents on 100," said Mr. Hull in a statement, "immediately resulted in a reduction of like amount of the price of raw sugar to Canada consumers, as reported in the press. Here is positive proof that a reduction of sugar tariffs results immediately and directly in a corresponding reduction in sugar prices to the consumer.

"Instead of making the simple experiment of reducing the rate on sugar, the Harding administration is still indulging in the most desperate expedients to divert attention away from the sugar tariff outrage, which is costing the American people around \$4,000,000 a year in excessive and extortionate prices."

CHILD KNOCKED DOWN BY PASSENGER AUTO

Five-Year-Old Douglas Coulson Injured While on Way to School.

While hurrying along to school shortly before nine o'clock this morning, Douglas Coulson, five-year-old son of Mrs. Phyllis Coulson of 93 Fullarton street, was knocked down by a passenger automobile when he attempted to cross from the west to the east side of the street in front of the Talbot street public school.

The 11-year-old child was rushed to the Western Hospital, where it was found that his head had been rather badly cut and he had also suffered a bruised hip. At noon today, however, the hospital authorities reported that he was doing nicely and that his condition was not considered serious.

Dr. W. J. Tillman attended the youngster, and in talking to The Advertiser this afternoon he stated that the boy seemed to be suffering from shock, but that he expected no serious results from the accident.

BOY OF ELEVEN YEARS DROWNS IN GRAVEL PIT

James Crowley, of Mitchell, Is Seized With Cramps While Swimming in Cold Water.

Special to The Advertiser.

Mitchell, May 21.—James Crowley, 11-year-old son of James Crowley, was drowned on Saturday. In a gravel pit near his home water to the depth of between three and four feet had accumulated from the recent rains, and the Crowley boy went into this water for a swim. It is thought he was seized with cramps as the water was very cold. It was some time before the body was taken out of the water, as the only person who witnessed the tragedy was a little 5-year-old brother.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS. Today—Fresh northerly winds; fair and cool. Tuesday—Fair and a little warmer. A shallow low area which passed across the Great Lakes yesterday now extends from the St. Lawrence Valley southward along the Atlantic Coast, and an area of high pressure is centered north of Lake Superior. The weather has been showery in Ontario and Quebec, and fair in the Western and Maritime Provinces.

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	60	48	Fair
Calgary	60	40	Fair
Winnipeg	64	24	Clear
Port Arthur	60	36	Fair
Parry Sound	62	36	Cloudy
Toronto	60	40	Cloudy
Kingsford	60	48	Cloudy
Ottawa	65	48	Cloudy
Montreal	74	50	Rain
Quebec	76	50	Rain
Father Point	68	50	Cloudy
St. John	60	40	Fair
Halifax	62	36	Clear

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