

CANADA IS SECURE
THINKS MAJOR CROWN

Londoner Places Blame for Financial Troubles on Efforts to Discredit Roosevelt

Major Hume Cronyn, manager of the Huron & Erie Savings & Loan Company, has returned from his trip to the old country, and although very busy found time Monday night to talk to a Free Press reporter on the present condition of things in the world of finance, which is made doubly interesting on account of the panicky condition of affairs on Wall Street, consequent upon the run on the trust companies, and the almost unprecedented slump in what were always considered unapproachable securities and stocks.

"How did you find the condition of affairs in England and Scotland, and more particularly how were the financial circles affected by the trouble in New York?" he was asked.

"Well, I cannot say as to that," was his reply, "for I left for Canada before the news arrived that our American cousins were having troubles of their own. But money is tight just now in England, and I think will remain so for some time."

"You know the whole world is trying to borrow money from England, and England doesn't want to lend. The best securities over here are the railroad stocks, what are called 'home rails.' These stocks can only be procured by paying exorbitant prices for them, but they are considered good at any price. A great strike is threatening in England, a strike that will tie up every road in the country. If the strike goes on, everything will be at a standstill, for the people of England live on imports, and these imports cannot be given to the people without the railroad."

"Why a strike of five days' duration would mean that the mass of the people would be facing starvation. Money would be tied up, and every form of industry would be at a standstill. It is no wonder that the moneyed men facing a crisis of this nature are holding on to their money."

Antagonism to Socialism.

"Eliminate the strike problem and we have a certain stringency independent of this railroad problem that has arisen from a steady growth of antagonism among the moneyed men to the labor party. It is claimed that since the labor party, which is called the socialists, have come over there, has become so strong in parliament, the trend of the house is to enact legislation that will discourage and throw a species of oblique movements and legitimate investments."

"That is the way I found things from observation during my comparatively short stay, although I did not go into it deeply because my time was mainly spent in Edinburgh, which is a very conservative city, and outside of that does not influence conditions there a great deal."

"What, in your opinion, is the reason for the New York trouble?" he was asked.

"Well, in my opinion the most probable theory of the many advanced is the one which attacks the big corporations. I think that it is a conservative view, and that the administration, which had a tendency during its tenure of government to legislate against the big fellows."

Blame Republicans.

"When the next election comes it can be advanced that the Republican government that caused the great financial trouble and it will undoubtedly have a great effect on the vote."

"It might be said that in connection with the Wall Street panic that such a condition of affairs or such a crisis could not happen in Canada. The trust companies on this side have not been the institutions from which the brokers procured their call money, under conditions and for security that would not be possible in Canada. The trust companies here are not so closely connected with the big corporations as the trust companies in New York. Consequently money became tight and the brokers were refused their call money. They were forced to buy their stock on the market at almost any price to save a little from the smash."

Trusts in Control.

"Then the corporations who brought this to pass controlled the situation. They could buy the stocks and just as they suited their policy to do so, and the longer they held off the lower they went, and the bigger the run was on the trust companies, for the brokers were so closely affiliated with trust companies were in trouble, the trust companies must be in a shaky condition. Also, the money run on the trust companies. One trust company, I am told, paid out \$12,000,000 in one day."

"All that is left for the big corporations with the money to do is to buy up gilt-edged stocks which have fallen away below actual and legitimate value and they will clear up fortunes. Thus, by bringing about this condition of affairs, they have delivered a mighty blow at their arch enemy, the Roosevelt administration, and they have lined their own pockets. It cannot last, because things are bound to right themselves and revert to normal conditions."

SUCCESSFUL CONCERT

Programme Was Good and Proceeds Amounted to \$140

From Our Own Correspondent. CAPTIVA, Oct. 29.—The school concert, which was given here last Friday evening, was one of the most successful ever held by the local students. The programme was of excellent merit, and the proceeds amounted to \$140 gross, and after all expenses were paid \$70 was left to be devoted to fixing up the reading room of the school.

MUTINY QUICKLY SUPPRESSED

Associated Press Despatch. VIADIVOSTOK, Oct. 29.—A mutiny among a number of the sepoys army was quickly suppressed by the use of machine guns. A battalion of sepoy, armed with rifles, tried to capture one of the barracks, but two companies of the regular regiment, who were quartered there, brought machine guns into action and routed the strikers. A dozen of the latter were killed or wounded.

JOHN ROCKEFELLER CAUGHT.

TORONTO, Oct. 29.—Dr. Birt, game and fish warden, has seized a number of ducks illegally shipped to be smuggled over the frontier. He also caught John Rockefeller, an old offender, illegally shooting ducks off Port Rowan. To prevent his gun being seized, Rockefeller dropped it overboard. He was fined \$20 and costs.

CALLS OFF STRIKE

Associated Press Despatch. NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—J. P. Small, recently deposed as president of the C. T. U. A., who arrived in New York from the west to-day, was refused permission to address the local branch of the union at a meeting in the afternoon, tonight sent out a statement to the public "calling off" the telegraphers' strike.

PARTY CAPITAL THAT
EXPLODED TOO SOON

Liberals Miss Chance to Swing Votes to Party School Trustee Slate

There is an interesting story in municipal circles that the Liberal camp is much displeased at the lack of manipulation shown by Trustee Strong in "springing" the coal supply inquiry at so early a period.

These politicians see in the fuss that has been created over the matter the best kind of campaign material in their proposal to land all four seats which become vacant in January. Had Mr. Strong postponed his "exposure" until the month of December it would then have been too late to have cleared up the "scandal," and the effect upon the electors might have been to elect four Liberals.

But the possibilities have been taken to themselves wings, and the "exposure," attempted, no doubt, from worthy motives, has resulted in the fact being made plain that no school trustee got his coal for nothing, that the contractor has probably given the city better weight than the weigh scales would have done, and that the transaction between the trustees and the contractor were in every respect defensible.

The action of members of the board, at their meeting Monday in moving the matter be taken before the county judge, and the refusal of Mr. Strong and his Liberal colleagues to vote with the motion, removes all doubt as to the facts of the matter. Mr. Strong makes no attempt to say that he is not satisfied, and if he did, or if at some future time anyone does, it will be of no avail, for the county judge would not be moved by the fact that the county judge should investigate.

DOING HIS UTMOST
TO SECURE LIGHTS

Ald. Gillean Confident That at Least Four or Five Lights Will Be Erected

Chairman Gillean of No. 3 committee is doing his utmost to secure the extra lights for which petitions were made this year and which, under their contract, the London Electric Co. have the power to erect.

"I think we will be able to secure at least four or five of the sixteen new lights required," said Ald. Gillean yesterday morning, "and that will help me, even if we can't get them all."

He explained that in conversation with Mr. Hunt, of the London Electric Co., he had estimated that where the erection of the lights did not necessitate the putting up of a lot of poles and stringing a lot of wire that it might be possible for them to put up the lights, and he thought his company would object to helping the city out to that extent.

"There are four or five places where it will only be necessary to put in a pole and erect one light, and that will be to hang the lamp," said Ald. Gillean, "and I think the company will be agreeable to doing this much."

The contract with the London Electric Co. has been placed in the hands of City Solicitor Meredith, but as yet he has not expressed himself on the matter, although it is the opinion of the committee that there is no way around the clause which specifies that 360 lights is the limit to be erected under the present agreement.

ILLEGAL SHOOTING

Game Protective Association Complain to Dr. Reaume

TORONTO, Oct. 29.—Violations of the game laws were brought to the attention of Hon. Dr. Reaume, the minister responsible, by a deputation representing the Hamilton branch of the Ontario Fish and Game Protective Association this morning.

The deputation was composed of Thos. Upton, president; H. Barnard, vice-president; and J. H. Reaume, secretary. They declared that the game laws were being violated by a number of foreigners, who came across the line and carried loaded firearms, shooting at all kinds of birds in sight. They also complained that unlicensed parties shot deer along the railway line, and then sold them to unsuccessful hunters.

A deputation was assured that the attorney-general's department would co-operate with them in their campaign in looking into the matters complained of.

WHITBY-PATTERSON

Miss Nellie Patterson, of Paris, Becomes Bride of E. T. Whitby

From Our Own Correspondent. PARIS, Oct. 29.—Mr. E. T. Whitby, son of Mr. O. R. Whitby of this city, was married to Miss Nellie Patterson, daughter of Rev. John B. Patterson, yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Patterson, and was a very happy occasion. After the ceremony the happy couple left for eastern points for a brief honeymoon.

KILLS TWO: SUICIDES

Insane Act of Tusla, I. T. Resident

Associated Press Despatch. TUSLA, I. T., Oct. 29.—B. H. Stockwell, of this city, tonight shot and instantly killed W. E. Campbell, prominent oil man and capitalist, formerly of Windfield, Kas., and then murdered his own son, aged 13, and committed suicide. Insane jealousy is given as the cause.

TO SETTLE MANITOBA'S BOUNDS.

OTTAWA, Oct. 29.—The government have under consideration the preparation of a bill respecting the extension of Manitoba's boundaries, to take in part of the present district of Keewatin as a result of the recent discovery of gold in the north-western part of the province.

VISCONT GORMANSTON DEAD

Associated Press Despatch. LONDON, Oct. 29.—Viscount William Joseph Gormanston, Viscount Gormanston, died to-day. He was the premier Irish viscount. He suffered a paralytic stroke on Saturday and never regained consciousness. He was born in 1837.

NOT YET EVIDENT SOON
THAT D BRAVES

Asked Him to Get Whisky and Sullivan Went South With the Thirty-Five

If Timothy Sullivan had only refunded that 35 cents Monday, it is extremely improbable that the record that was established yesterday by the honest man would ever have been made. But Timothy didn't, for the first time in the history of the London police court an Indian appeared to give evidence against a white man for supplying him with liquor. This red man who so departed from the traditions of his race is Wesley Elms, and he informed the court that his home was in "Miller Town."

Sullivan appeared charged with two counts, one of selling or providing liquor to an Indian and one of drunkenness. As Timothy is an old offender in the drunkenness line, he was promptly fined \$10 with an option of 21 days in jail.

A Double Charge. He pleaded guilty to drunkenness, but denied that he had provided his forest-brother with firewater, and the case was postponed a week, so as to enable the court to subpoena Sampson Cornelius, another Indian, as a witness. Cornelius was put in the box, and was more than willing to give his evidence under the guidance and questioning of Chief Williams.

"Where did you first meet this man?" "On the corner of the market I and Cornelius Sampson meet him and Cornelius he introduce us. I never see him before. Den Cornelius and me we give him sixty-five cents and he go get us a bottle of whisky, which we drink and he help us—beem in the box."

"Then I want some more, yes, an' I ask him to get me some, an' give him thirty-five cents, which he take an' go to the hotel on the corner. An' I wait for him, and he come back an' I get anxious an' start after him."

"You wanted the whisky?" suggested the chief.

"If I want it all right, or I want my money. An' I find beem in the hotel, an' I ask him about it. He told me to wait and he get the whisky, an' for me to get out, an' I go. Cornelius and me we wait little while, and we go back an' I find him in there, an' I ask him for whisky, an' he say, 'not yet, but soon.'"

"I ask him for the thirty-five cents, an' he no give it to me, an' I told me to go away, an' then I get the policeman an' he arrest beem."

"Then your little deal didn't go through at all?"

"No, it didn't come right," said Wesley. "No, I guess not."

CUPID STEPS IN
AND STOPS THE LAW

The case of Lucy Berry, the young woman who appeared in the police court Friday morning, charged with vagrancy, came up, but the sergeant informed the court that she had been married in the meantime, and as neither she nor her parents, who had lodged the complaint, appeared, the case was adjourned a week.

SUBURB AT THE COVE
REACHING FOR CITY

"If the city wants to annex some suburbs, why don't they take a look down on the Pipe Line Road," said a citizen yesterday. "There are enough people living down there that would make a substantial addition to the city. There is a grocery store now, and the houses have gone up rapidly. Before long the houses will stretch clear to the city."

CUT IN MEAT PRICES
WON'T BE FELT HERE

The reduction in the price of meats by some of the large American packing houses will not affect the prices in Canada, according to the butchers of this city.

"The price is more likely to go up than down," said one butcher yesterday. "Conditions here are altogether different and we are not affected either directly or indirectly by the action of the American houses."

RELATIVES CANNOT
TAKE CARE OF HIM

The young man in Victoria Hospital in whose case consumption was diagnosed, is still in that institution, although arrangements have to be made for his removal.

Relatives in Guelph were communicated with, but they could not undertake to take charge of him.

Superintendent Heard said that of course the young man would not be turned out on the street.

FALLS DOWN STAIRS
SERIOUSLY INJURED

Miss Mary Long, of 130 Waterloo street, sustained a serious accident Monday morning. She had just got up and was coming down stairs, when she tripped on the top stair and fell all the way down. She was unconscious when picked up and a doctor was called. It was feared for a time that internal complications would set in in addition to the severe bruising and bruising she received. Miss Long will be confined to her bed for a few days, although she is now on a fair road to recovery.

CAR 8 TONS SHORT
MR. STRONG SAYS

School Trustee Strong stated yesterday that he had discovered at least one manufacturer in the city who received his car by the car load and who did not always find it to run over weight, as cited by the board of education Monday afternoon.

"This firm, which is a large one," said Mr. Strong, "received a car load about three weeks ago and after weighing it on the city scales found that it was about eight tons short of the shipper's weight. They immediately reported the matter to the company, making claim for the shortage, but the firm asked for the vouchers of the weigh scales here, as affidavits, and up to the present time no refunds have been coming."

Mr. Strong stated that he did not think the weight went over in every instance, as Mr. Graham had stated, and that every firm who bought coal in this way had some manner of checking it over carefully.

"The trouble with us is," said Mr. Strong, "that we have no way of checking up our coal supply while private corporations do not need to be so particular or say, it is their own look out."

LONDONERS WILL EAT
COLD STORAGE EGGS

Price Now 30c Per Dozen and Hens About to Go on Strike

Londoners will eat a good many thousands of cold storage eggs this winter according to the statements of provision men around town. With the hens about to go on strike for the next three or four months, and the price already at 30c per dozen, the men who cater to man's appetite are prepared to fall back upon indefinite stores of barnyard fruit that have been laid away in the cool recesses of the cold storage buildings for months past.

The commission men lament the prejudice which people have against cold storage eggs as much as they would like. "If they would only buy these eggs, all would be well," said one of them. "But they will go to their grocers and ask for fresh country eggs. What they frequently get is cold storage eggs, with ten cents per dozen added to the price and the increase in price keeps them from eating as many as they would like."

On the other hand there are those who state that cold storage while preserving the eggs, destroys their true flavor, and the increase in price is a reputation as a deep thinker "along the street" even went so far as to declare that the use of cold storage eggs had resulted in an increase in family quarrels and a consequent shattering of domestic bliss.

When asked for an explanation he said: "Well, the thing is this. Cold storage eggs, and hubby has soft boiled in the morning and scrambled at night. After about three weeks of a cold storage egg diet, the nature of the most peaceful man becomes transformed. Were it not for the dog and the cat and the wife, there would be much bad language and four looks. Then will come divorce suits on charges of cruelty."

"It's very simple—cold storage eggs, unhappy husband, E. D. And the clerk resuming plucking a fowl."

LAY OFF WORKERS
THOUSANDS IDLE

Union Pacific Railroad Expecting Curtailment of Business Shortly

Associated Press Despatch. OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 29.—The Union Pacific Railroad expects to lay off thousands of men and eight thousand workmen.

The discharged men are from the construction department, but the differences which at present exist between the company and new street railway company will be satisfactorily adjusted. A draft by-law embodying the views of the company is now in the hands of the board of directors, and when amended according to the views of that committee will be presented to the city council, when, in all probability a compromise will be effected. One of the main points of dispute is in regard to the term of the franchise. The company want it for 42 years, and the city is endeavoring to limit it to 20 years.

TO AMEND BY-LAW

WOODSTOCK COUNCIL TO CONSIDER WAY OF DEALING WITH HUCKSTERS

From Our Own Correspondent. WOODSTOCK, Oct. 29.—The city council are considering ways and means of dealing with the hucksters on the market so that customers may know that they are getting value for their money. It was pointed out at last night's meeting that the purchasers at the market are practically at the mercy of the farmers, whom, it is alleged, are too lax in the manner in which they measure up and weigh their produce.

It was decided to amend the by-law so that those who have chickens for sale must have them first picked, not half-picked, and they must also have their heads taken off and their crops removed. It is figured that the woman who buys a pair of chickens on the market pays for half a pound of head, two pounds of blood and the crop and entrails, while in most cases the birds are not dry picked by weight and only the edible parts of them will count.

RETURN VERDICT

Jury Decides That Death of Sidney Guest Was Accidental

From Our Own Correspondent. INGERSOLL, Ont., Oct. 29.—Inquest on the death of the late Sidney Guest was resumed in the council chambers to-night. Several witnesses were examined, but the evidence was not of a startling nature.

The verdict of the jury was to the effect that Guest had met his death accidentally and in some unknown manner while on the tracks.

IN 93RD YEAR

Mrs. Nathaniel Ryan, Pioneer Resident of Lucas, Passes Away

From Our Own Correspondent. LUCAN, Oct. 29.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Nathaniel Ryan took place to-day from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Jas. Stanley, Services were conducted at the house, also at St. James' Church by Rev. A. Carlisle.

The funeral was largely attended, and a large number of friends were present. Mrs. Ryan was held in the highest esteem in the community.

TO ADDRESS ALUMNI

Dr. Jordan, of Queen's, Will be London's Guest

From Our Own Correspondent. STRATHROY, Oct. 29.—Rev. Dr. Jordan, professor at Queen's, Kingston, arrived in town yesterday and is the guest of W. Thompson Smith, manager, Traders Bank. Dr. Jordan stated to the Free Press that he would leave for London to-morrow, where he would speak at the "Alumni Club" dinner, at the Tecumseh House to-morrow night.

ASK CHEAPER FARES

Sarnia Council Confers With Street Railway Company

SARNIA, Oct. 29.—A deputation from the Sarnia town council met the directors of the Sarnia Street Railway to-day and laid a proposition before them asking for cheaper fares for working men. The company at present has a charter amendment before the council, and it is sought to have a cheaper schedule granted before the council consents to allow the tax rate for the year to be raised to the south part of the town. At present seven tickets are sold for 25c, good only for eight tickets for a quarter. The result of the conference will be announced at a special meeting of the town council to be held this evening.

The tax rate for Sarnia was struck last night at the council meeting, at 21 mills. The rate last year was 19 mills, the increase being due to the new pavements laid in the past two years.

WANT LOCAL OPTION
BY-LAW REPEALED

Yarmouth Residents Feel Content With Three-Fifths Clause Provision

By Our Own Reporter. ST. THOMAS, Oct. 29.—Over four hundred persons appear on the petition to the council of the Township of Yarmouth for the repeal of the local option law.

At the meeting of the council on Monday the requisition for its submission will be considered and the representatives expect a field day of temperance and anti-liquor.

The Yarmouth League are strongly opposed to the council taking action on the petition. The association threatens to question the validity of the petition.

As the measure was passed before the three-fourths clause was incorporated in the act, it is understood that a bare majority will suffice to carry the repealing by-law.

The "repealers" are in full confidence that another vote of the municipality the first opinion of the ratepayers will be rescinded.

Bakers Reduce
Weight of Loaf

Five-cent Loaf in Future Will Weigh Only Pound and a Quarter Instead of Pound and a Half

From Our Own Correspondent. STRATHROY, Oct. 29.—It has been stated that the Stratford bakers, which are at present selling a one and a half pound loaf for five cents, will cut down the weight of the household commodity to one and one-quarter pounds, still to sell at five cents. The change will take place immediately.

Expect to Adjust
Differences Soon

New Street Railway Company of Brantford Asks That Franchise be Extended to Forty-two Years

From Our Own Correspondent. BRANTFORD, Oct. 29.—There are reasons for believing that the differences which at present exist between the company and new street railway company will be satisfactorily adjusted. A draft by-law embodying the views of the company is now in the hands of the board of directors, and when amended according to the views of that committee will be presented to the city council, when, in all probability a compromise will be effected. One of the main points of dispute is in regard to the term of the franchise. The company want it for 42 years, and the city is endeavoring to limit it to 20 years.

SMASHES ENGINE

Fell Through Bridge on Back Street and Put Out of Business

By Our Own Reporter. ST. THOMAS, Oct. 29.—A threshing engine of Duncan McIntyre, Iona Station, broke through the bridge on the back street yesterday. The engine and bridge were both put out of business.

SENT FOR TRIAL

David Bugg, of Millbank, Will Appear in Answer to Theft Charge

From Our Own Correspondent. STRATHROY, Oct. 29.—David Bugg, the Millbank man who was charged by his wife with procuring money under false pretences, was to-day sent up for trial, the charge being changed to theft.

EXTRA CARRIER

Nathan Schmidt Becomes Member of Mail Carriers' Staff

From Our Own Correspondent. BERLIN, Oct. 29.—The post office department has appointed Nathan Schmidt an additional member of the mail carriers' staff, to assume his duties at once.

GIRLS STILL OUT

Waitresses Will Not Get Up So Early in Morning

By Our Own Reporter. ST. THOMAS, Oct. 29.—The dining-room girls of the Grand Central Hotel went out on Monday and are still standing by their "guns."

The trouble arose from their refusal to report for duty in the mornings at 6 o'clock, which was up to his armpits in the past, without extra pay.

Manager Cameron secured a supply of waitresses to-day and things are moving as usual.

COULD NOT PROVE IT

Licence Commissioners Gather to Hear Hotelkeeper Prove Statement

From Our Own Correspondent. WOODSTOCK, Oct. 29.—At a recent meeting of the Embro council a deputation appeared to ask that the licences in the village be raised to \$700.

W. H. Greenlees, hotelkeeper, appeared in opposition to the movement and declared that more liquor was being sold at Lakeside and Thamesford than in Embro.

This was taken as a reflection on the commissioners, and that body was called together yesterday for the purpose of hearing Mr. Greenlees prove his statement.

FEARS FOR VESSEL

Arthur Sewall, 218 Days Out From Philadelphia

Associated Press Despatch. NEW YORK, N. Y., October 29.—Members of the maritime exchange to-day felt some concern over the absence of news from the sailing ship Arthur Sewall, which sailed from Philadelphia on April 3, for Seattle, with a crew of forty men, under command of Captain Jeffrey. In ordinary weather the ship would have reached Seattle in four months, but is now 218 days out.

MAYOR IN FAVOR
OF SUNDAY CARS

Would Not Care for City Service, But Would Like it to the Port

By Our Own Reporter. ST. THOMAS, Oct. 29.—Mayor Lawrence has placed himself on record as being in favor of Sunday cars.

And the regret of it is that a few more of the aldermanic guests did not give some sign of their feelings in the way of Sabbath day excursions to Port Stanley.

His worship, while not liking the establishment of such a service in the city would not object to the cars being run between the city and the lakeside. He gave his reason to the fish company at the port to-day, but it appeared to be generously acceptable.

He will find many to support his views and a number of doubters. The only way open for an inauguration of the services by an act of the legislature.

But to make this possible of acceptance a vote of the people would strengthen the "makers of the law."

An opportunity is offered at the next municipal election to test the opinion of the people. It might not be an unwise move to try it. Sooner or later the demand will come for a Sunday connection with the Port, but it will require some education of the farmers in the adjoining municipalities before they fall in line with the centres between London and the lakeside.

It would be an incentive to them if it followed that the Sunday cars were agreeable to the majority of the folk here.

PERHAPS POISONING
INSURANCE DEPENDS

Analysis of Late Mr. Polson's Stomach to Determine Cause of Death

TORONTO, Oct. 29.—The stomach of P. Polson head of the shipbuilding firm, who died yesterday, will be examined by Provincial Analyst Ellis to determine whether or not Mr. Polson's death was due to poisoning. Mr. Polson had been for some time a sufferer from acute indigestion and recently he received a prescription from a friend in Chicago which he had prepared. It is feared that this contained some poisonous drug.

The result of the analysis will have much to do with the statement of an accident insurance policy of \$20,000 on Mr. Polson's life.

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