

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

AFRAID OF CHANGE.
TIENTSIN, China, Dec. 5.
Reports received here say Chinese bandits have taken control of Tientsin, Shantung, the Kiaochow port, whose stormy career in war and diplomacy was to culminate to-day, in its return to China, after twenty-four years of alien rule, the first sixteen under German rule, and the last eight under Japanese rule. The population is fleeing from the city.

NEAR THE TOMB OF THE PROPHET.
LONDON, Dec. 5.
The Morning Post's correspondent says Mohammed VI, former Turkish Sultan, is reported to have accepted the invitation of King Hussein, Sovereign of the Hedjaz, to reside in Mecca.

RECURRENT OF QUAKE.
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 5.
An earthquake, lasting twelve seconds, was felt at Mexico City yesterday morning, moving north to south, without damage.

GENERALS RELEASED.
ATHENS, Dec. 5.
General Pallas, former Chief of Staff in Asia Minor; General Exadaktylos, former Chief of General Staff, and General Valetta, former Assistant Chief of Staff in Asia Minor, were liberated from prison yesterday, having been arrested in connection with the disaster to the Greek Army against the Turks.

ICE PATROL FOR ATLANTIC.
BOSTON, Dec. 5.
The coastguard cutter Tampa left yesterday for Halifax to take up the annual ice patrol on the transatlantic lanes and Grand Banks.

WHEAT RAISING CHAMPIONSHIP.
CHICAGO, Dec. 5.
Canada won the oats growing championship at the International Grain and Hay Show last night, when the entry of J. W. Biglands, of Lacombe, Alberta, won the sweepstakes over a large field. His samples weighed forty-six and a half pounds to the bushel.

FREE STATERS TAKE OATH.
DUBLIN, Dec. 5.
The stormy career of the Provisional Parliament came to an unceremonious end when it adjourned at five yesterday and took the oath under the treaty, thereby becoming the Chamber of Deputies of the Irish Free State. Members maintained their usual placid appearance, in spite of numerous warnings from the rebels. Every precaution is being taken to guard against an attack on the Deputies.

EVERY BODY
SMOKESOld Chum
Tobacco

A mild Tobacco that has fully met the smoker's demand for delightful quality and mild character.

**CASH'S
Tobacco Store.**
WATER STREET.First Fire Brigade
Formed in London.

Though many people are interested in fires—though it is almost a universal custom to suspend all business or other pursuits to watch the big engines and hook-and-ladder, as they rush around the corner or down the street, few people really know when organized fire-fighting first came into being.

The origin has been traced only recently and the story is an interesting one to the man who still cherishes his little boy's love for fires and seeing the fire-engines go by.

Research shows Pudding Lane in the heart of London, and Sept. 2, 1666, as the date and place of birth of organized fire fighting.

GREAT FIRE OF LONDON.
In a wooden house fronting on that little by-street, broke out the fire which burned steadily for four days, burning out 436 closely settled acres, and which is spoken of to this day as the great fire of London. Modern fire insurance may also be said to date from this conflagration. It was no longer over than men put their heads together to see what could be done to prevent the recurrence of such a disaster and to mitigate in the future sufferings such as they had just witnessed. To one Nicholas Barbon is credited the idea of applying insurance to real property—what we now call fire insurance.

Twelve months had not elapsed after the fire when the first company had been formed to insure such property, followed by others. These companies, in order to protect their interests, were active in devising the most efficient fire-fighting arrangements then possible.

Fire brigades the establishments were called. While they were poor, ineffectual organizations as compared with the fire organizations of to-day, with their powerful gasoline engines, water towers, aerials and chemicals, which may all be brought into play by pulling a hook in a corner fire alarm box, they were the best fire defenses then existing.

ROME AND FIREMEN.
Pliny testifies to the fact that organized fire fighting of a kind existed

Burin Lights The Torch.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION LAST NIGHT.
BURIN, To-day.
Special to Evening Telegram.
Splendid meeting held here last night amidst great enthusiasm. Court House crowded with people, all in sympathy with Resolutions dealing with reduction of taxation and early summoning of the Legislature.

THOS. LEFEUVRE.

In Rome during the first century, of the Christian era, and in certain European cities down through the middle ages the schooled fire fighter was not unknown. In London, before the great fire, there had been firemen of a sort. But following the conflagration, a serious study was made of fire fighting and it became a regular separate vocation. The London fire brigades, established by the insurance companies, remained through all the 18th century and the first quarter of the 19th the only organized system of fire defence in the city of London.

Five important insurance companies maintained these private fire brigades, the members of which were called watermen. Each of these restricted its services to fires originating in or spreading to property insured by the company employing them. The fire insurance companies had hung over the doorways of buildings which they were interested in protecting "fire-marks" or house plates. The brigade responding to the alarm of the town crier were able to identify "company property" by these house plates and to set about the task of extinguishing the flames.

According to the national board of fire underwriters their policy became so fixed that finally men of brigades not interested, if they happened to arrive first upon the scene, would stop back to await the coming of the "proper" brigade, meanwhile allowing the property to burn.

BECAME SKILFUL.
Considering their limited equipment and facilities, these brigades became very skilful in extinguishing fires. At first this equipment consisted of little more than a few lengths of stout hempen rope, a varied assortment of iron hooks and some leather bags and axes. Rude hand pumps and huge, awkward syringes for spraying the flames soon made their appearance, the prototypes of our modern pumping engines and connected hose. The flexible hose made of leather, invented by the Van de Heyde brothers of Amsterdam, came into use after 1750.

Each brigade possessed a distinctive company livery for "dresses" as well as service wear. The former was resplendent, and ran to flaming blue or scarlet jacket with ample plush breeches.

In the interests of economy and efficiency it was suggested from time to time that the different brigades be merged into one organization under one head, but the fact that each brigade was jealous of its reputation and of the distinction which its members had earned made them loath to accept the suggested arrangement.

In the year 1825, however, the Sun, the Union and the Royal companies united their brigades, placing them under a single superintendent. The Atlas and the Phoenix shortly afterward entered the combination. With seven years almost all of the fire brigades in London had united, forming the London Fire Engine Establishment, which continued to function until 1865.

CITY TOOK OVER STATIONS.
The municipal authorities took hold in 1865, and, with the passage of the Metropolitan fire brigade act, stations and equipment were all taken over. The burning of the House of Parliament in 1834 is cited as having constituted a strong contending factor in promoting the legislative inquiry which was followed by the decision for municipal control of fire fighting.

Early American fire-fighting records show that house-plates to identify property were in use to a certain extent here also, with fire insurance companies something like their British prototypes, but that the men who attended fires salvaged property, leaving the fire extinguishing work to volunteer firemen.

It is recorded that in 1659 Peter Stuyvesant, as governor of New Amsterdam, purchased and distributed 250 leather buckets and a supply of ladders and hooks. A tax of one guilden was imposed on every chimney in town to provide for the maintenance of this fire-fighting equipment. Watchmen, who made their rounds nightly in groups of three or four to guard against any disturbance of the peace, were on the lookout for incipient fires.

EVERYBODY OUT.
The maid was instructed to say "not at home" to any visitor. So when the caller came she told the visitor that the visitor that the master had gone out.

"Oh, it would be just as well if I saw Mrs.——"

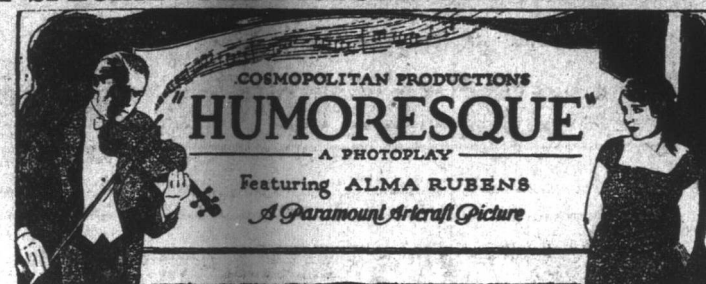
"She's gone out as well, sir," replied she.

"In that case, I'm sure they won't mind if I come in and sit by the fire."

"I'm very sorry, sir," pursued the girl, "but the fire's gone out, too."

— MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY—AT THE NICKEL —
A TRULY GREAT SPECIAL—THE PICTURE YOU HAVE BEEN WAITING TO SEE.

Fannie Hurst's beautiful story of a Boy's genius and a mother's love.



Beginning in the clamor of New York's Ghetto. Rising to the heights. Then ending—Where?

"THE TOONERVILLE FOLLIES"—A Fontaine Fox two-act Comedy.
THURSDAY—That great Social Drama "HELIOTROPE"—8 acts 8—
COMING—Pola Negri in "GIPSY BLOOD," Jackie Coogan in "MY BOY," Anita Stewart in "HARLEY" and the "PIPER."

Writings of Lenin
to be Published.

RIGA.—A complete edition of the works of Nikolai Lenin is about to appear in Russia. It is to include everything he has written and will, in all probability, consist of 19 large volumes of over 400 pages each. The material is arranged in chronological order. The first volume will be called "The early development of the Socialist Labor Movement during the period of 1894-1899." The essays written by Lenin when in exile fill several volumes. The eighth volume is entitled "The First Russian Revolution, 1905-1907." Volume 9 deals with the agrarian question; volume 10 is on the world war; volumes 15-18 describe the "Reign of the Proletariat," and the last volume deals with the "Question of Nationalities." The books are to be brought out by the state.

Entertained by
Archbishop of
Canterbury.

LONDON.—Dr. R. R. Moton, successor of the late Brook Taylor, Washington as head of Tuskegee Institute, was the guest of the Archbishop of Canterbury while in London recently, after a visit to Scotland where he attended the Scottish National Missionary Conference. Dr. Moton is also head of the National Negro Business League. He was entertained by the Archbishop at luncheon, after which he visited the British Institute of International Affairs. Dr. Moton said that the Archbishop of Canterbury showed a deep interest in the welfare of the black races, and that he was anxious to find a means of making proper adjustments between the white and the black races.

Graft Punishable by
Death in Russia.

MOSCOW.—A strenuous campaign against graft among state employees, inaugurated some time ago by the Soviet government, has brought to trial in various parts of the country hundreds of individuals, some of whom already have been convicted and put to death for their trickery. At Nizhni Novgorod eight men accused of swindling the government in connection with the installation of an electrical plant along the Volga, were sentenced to be shot, while 21 others tried simultaneously were sent to prison for various terms of years. In connection with the collecting of the grain tax imposed by the state, three men in the Moscow district, charged with making false entries by which the government was cheated of great quantities of grain, were sentenced to pay the supreme penalty, while 42 of the same group were acquitted.

Scotch Fishermen
in Want.

LONDON.—The failure of the herring industry in the North Sea, during the last two years, has been due to the fact that the currents in the North Sea have changed their course, says the chairman of the Scottish Fishery Board. The huge shoals of herring which once inhabited the North Sea near the Scottish coast, have almost entirely disappeared, and with them the living of scores of fisherfolk. Scientists are preparing a report and a chart which will explain and illustrate the changes of the currents. Bottles which usually travelled south are now picked up in the Shetlands.

Strawberry Plant
Bought for Fifty
Thousand Dollars.

THREE RIVERS, Mich., Nov. 22.—Fifty thousand dollars was paid for a single strawberry plant yesterday by Frank B. Beatty, president of the R. M. Kellogg Company, fruit growers. The plant is to be known as "Rock Hill" in honor of its breeder, H. W. Rockhill, of Conrad, Iowa. The price is believed here to be the highest ever paid for a single strawberry plant. The plant bears in early summer and begins again in the late summer, bearing continuously till frost comes. The purchaser said yesterday he believed the plant he had purchased would revolutionize the strawberry industry.

Grand Christmas Tree

In aid of New Convent, St. Joseph's
DECEMBER 18th and 19th.
Xmas Presents, Plain and Fancy Work, Grabs, etc.
High Teas and Afternoon Teas will be served.
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KNOWLING'S Hardware.

Received by Steamers Sachem, Silvia, etc.
Silver Plated Goods, Stainless Cutlery,
Draught Tubing, Wire Shoe Rivets,
Galvanized Roofing Nails, Horse Nails,
Painters' & Household Brushes, Bar Iron,
Galvanized Sheet Iron, Lamp Chimneys,
Another Assortment Aluminum Ware.
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CHRISTMAS TREE AND
VARIETY SALE.

Under the auspices of the T.A. Ladies' Auxiliary will take place in the T. A. Hall
Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 5th & 6th.
Plain and Fancy Work; Fish Pond and Grabs.
High Teas and Afternoon Teas will be served.
ADMISSION 10c.
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Bonar Law Will Not
Receive Deputation
of Women.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—(Canadian Press Cable)—Premier Bonar Law treats women's deputations as he has the unemployed. The women want to interview him regarding extension of the female franchise but the Premier says he has already indicated all his present views on that matter. While declining to receive the unemployed, the Premier is soon to meet a deputation of miners. His explanation is that the miners approached the proper department first, but as negotiations have broken down he is at liberty himself to attempt a settlement, whereas the unemployed have not conducted even preliminary negotiations with the department primarily concerned.

MAGAZINE EXPLOSION.

VICTORIA, B.C., Dec. 5.
Special despatches received from Stewart, B.C., state that an explosion in a temporary underground magazine in the Premier Mine, resulted in injuries to four, and one man missing.

DRIFTING APART.

LAUSANNE, Dec. 5.
Turkey and Europe apparently have drifted so far apart on great issues in the Near East Conference that pessimists have a fruitful field for unhappy prognostications on the resumption of war in southeastern Europe. So long as no actual break occurs there is hope that time will bring conciliatory views, but that the worst is feared is evidenced by the appearance here of the suggestion that a general war could be launched against Turkey by the League of Nations. Although entire nations and United States have not publicly stated their views on

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else's
Clothes

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In the Supreme Court

In the matter of the Insolvency of Chesley Pafford of St. John's, Electoral District of St. John's, East, Confectioner; the petition of the said Chesley Pafford, certificate of Insolvency and discharge.

NOTICE OF MOTION.
Take notice that the Court moved on Tuesday, the 2nd day of December, A.D. 1922, at 11 o'clock the forenoon, or so soon thereafter, that the Court will hear the Counsel for the applicant's certificate of insolvency and discharge be granted to the said Pafford.
Dated the 5th day of December, A.D. 1922.
F. GORDON BRIDGES, Solicitor for the Applicant.
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In the Supreme Court
Newfoundland

In the matter of the Petition of bias LeDrew, Fisherman of St. John's, in the Electoral District of St. John's, Grave, alleging that he is insolvent and praying that he may be declared.

ORDER.
Upon reading the Petition of bias LeDrew, filed here on the 5th day of December, 1922, and the application of Mr. Healey, Petitioner, I ORDER that the Petition be heard on Thursday, the 7th day of December, 1922, at 10 o'clock the forenoon, to be examined and heard as to his alleged insolvency. The Registrar of the Supreme Court of St. John's is appointed trustee of the said Tobias LeDrew estate.
Dated at St. John's, this 5th day of December, 1922.
(Sgd.) J. M. McLEOD, dec5,11

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Saw Jack this morning!"
June—"I gave him the survey."

Jane—"In other words?"
June—"The story stars!"

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Highland Creamery, per lb. 34c.	Angoon Beans, per lb. 6c.
Avalon Creamery, per lb. 34c.	Pea Beans, per lb. 8c.
Sunshine Butter, per lb. 29c.	Split Peas, per lb. 9c.
Pure Lard, per lb. 26c.	Round Peas, per lb. 8c.
Local Bacon, Sliced, per lb. 40c.	Whole Rice, per lb. 10c.
Local Ham, Sliced, per lb. 40c.	Oatmeal, per lb. 7c.
Cooked Ham, Sliced, per lb. 70c.	Rolled Oats, per lb. 6c.

PURE ALLSPICE—Per 1/4-lb. 13c.

Fine Orange Pekoe Tea, per lb. 45c.	Loose Raisins, 3 Crown per lb. 22c.
Choice Orange Pekoe Tea, per lb. 50c.	Loose Seedless Raisins, per lb. 22c.
Very Choice Orange Pekoe Tea, per lb. 60c.	Selected Dates, per pkt. 25c.
Fresh Ground Coffee, per lb. 60c.	Fancy Seeded Raisins, per lb. 23c.

PURE CINNAMON—Per 1/4-lb. 15c.

Lemon Peel 40c.	Beet, 10-lbs. for 40c.
Orange Peel 40c.	Carrots, 10-lbs. for 40c.
Citron 60c.	Parsnips, 10-lbs. for 60c.

PURE GOLD JELLIES—Per 1/4-lb. 15c.

Pure Gold Essence Vanilla 1-oz. 15c.	Lazenby's Essence Vanilla 2-oz. 70c.
Pure Gold Essence Lemon 1-oz. 15c.	Lazenby's Essence Lemon 2-oz. 60c.
Pure Gold Essence Almond 1-oz. 15c.	Lazenby's Essence Almond 2-oz. 60c.
Pure Gold Es. Raspberry 1-oz. 15c.	Lazenby's Essence Ratifia 1-oz. 40c.
Pure Gold Es. Strawberry 1-oz. 15c.	Lazenby's Essence Lemon 1-oz. 30c.

FINE LOOSE TABLE SALT—Per lb. 3c.
FINE LOOSE TABLE SALT—7 lbs. for 20c.

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