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Bannerman Is Rolling Up A Record-Breaking Poll

Liberals Have Sweeping Victories in London—Lord Cecil and Gerald Balfour Lose—How Parties Stand.

London, Jan. 15.—The following is a summary of the political situation at midnight:

Total seats in the Commons.....	670
Elections held.....	162
Liberals elected.....	99
Unionists.....	30
Laborites.....	15
Nationalists.....	18

In the last House for the same seats:

Liberals.....	44
Unionists.....	98
Laborites.....	2
Nationalists.....	18

London, Jan. 15.—The torrent of triumph Liberalism flowed again at the polls today, with results as astonishing as on Saturday. Seat after seat was wrested by the Liberals and Labor candidates from their Unionist opponents, and at the close of the day they were able to boast of 42 of these trophies. In addition to those they won Saturday. Against this rush of victory the Unionists can record but a single conquest, they having converted a Liberal majority of 208 at Hastings into a Conservative majority of 413. It is claimed that nothing like this was ever before known in the history of British politics. Were the landslide to continue at the present rate, the Unionists in the new House of Commons would hardly exceed 120 out of a total membership of 670. There are still, however, some 500 constituencies to poll, and the brake may yet grip the wheels of the rushing Liberal chariot.

One of the most amazing features of the day has been the repudiation of Conservatism by London, which of late years has been almost unbrokenly Tory. No fewer than fourteen of the metropolitan constituencies have recanted their former faith in favor of the Liberal and Labor parties. The latter, owing to their excellent organization, made great advances everywhere. Thorne, a Socialist-Lab. (Continued on Page Three.)

TORONTO PLUMBERS MOST MODEST IS FINED \$10,000 GERMAN ATTITUDE

Thirty-Nine Plead Guilty to Conspiracy—Judge Grades the Punishment.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—Fines, aggregating \$10,000, were imposed upon 39 plumbers in the assize court by Chancellor Boyd. In all, 97 were convicted, and sentence was suspended upon those not fined. All of those arraigned pleaded guilty.

"From the materials laid before me it has been evident that the larger firms and the leading master plumbers have controlled the men in smaller businesses," said Chancellor Boyd, "so that they have been forced into the combination to endeavor to make a living, and in some way strive to better their condition."

"Many of the latter are hardly able to make headway, having large families and little work. Many have actually been lacerated by being driven into the combination. These classes have been as leniently dealt with as possible. As to those better off and in a larger way of business I have scaled or graded so as to impose some fine on those who have received dividends from the illicit prices, but heavier fines are imposed. It seems to me better not to go beyond the highest figure of Justice Clute's judgment, though I think he erred on the side of leniency."

AUSTRIA AND SERVA AT ODDS; FORMER FEARS A BALKAN LEAGUE

Vienna, Jan. 16.—The relations between Serbia and Austria have become more than strained, owing to the customs difficulties. Serbia has been negotiating here for some weeks to renew her commercial treaty with Austria. It transpired in the course of the negotiations that Serbia and Bulgaria had already formed a customs union. This was not only adverse to Austrian commercial interests, but threatened serious political results. Austria accordingly broke off the negotiations and requested Serbia to cancel the union with Bulgaria. The Serbian ministers, under the presidency of King Peter, conferred and decided to refuse the request, but they were willing to modify the provisions of the union which might be incon-

sistent with a commercial treaty with Austria. It is understood that Austria is wholly dissatisfied with this, and either has adopted or immediately will adopt the sharpest reprisals, stopping frontier traffic and enforcing other restrictions. Serbia's chief market lies in Austria, hence the closing of the frontier will cause her severe material loss. Public opinion in Serbia is said to be greatly excited. According to some reports King Peter's position, which is already much shaken by the financial situation in Serbia, and the persistent coolness of the powers towards the regime, must shortly become impossible.

One reason for the Austrian insistence is the fear that the customs union with Bulgaria may develop into a Balkan league, which would threaten peace.

PRESIDENT FACES ANGRY CONGRESS

The Patience of Both Houses Breaking—Republican Party May Be Wrecked.

Washington, Jan. 15.—President Roosevelt faces the same situation in the Republican party that confronted Grover Cleveland during his last term. He is opposed by an angry and rebellious Congress. There are prophets who say the outcome will be as disastrous for the President's party as the results of warfare between President Cleveland and his Congress were for the Democratic party.

President Roosevelt has never been on particularly good terms with his Congresses. He is too arbitrary for that. Still, he has managed to slide along by giving in here and there, and the Opposition has contented itself with mutterings. The mutterings have now developed into a roar. The fifty-ninth Congress is openly rebellious. It refuses to be dictated to by the President. Both branches are in the same mood.

The fight now being made in the House by the insurgents, led by Representative Babcock, of Wisconsin, but really directed by the foxy Tawney, of Minnesota, who is chairman of the appropriations committee, and who is in the background because he does not want to entail opposition from the speaker for his appropriations bill, is extremely bitter.

Various causes have been ascribed to it, but the real cause is dissatisfaction with Roosevelt. The House as a body detests the President, so does the Senate. The House is now getting to the point where it is willing to say so for publication. The Senate has not yet reached that stage, but there are not more than a dozen Republican senators who, talking privately, will not express sentiments about the President that are as radical and uncompromising as any the most vociferous insurgent in the House will dare proclaim.

NOT GOVERNOR VANZANT

The West Elgin Personator Said to Have Come From St. Kitts.

St. Thomas, Jan. 15.—The man who personated Christopher Stratford in the West Elgin election of 1899 is said to have been a resident of St. Catharines, now living across the line, and not Mr. Garrett Vanzant, governor of the Toronto jail.

Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 15.—Henry Lovell, M. P. for Stanstead, was confirmed in his seat for Stanstead County yesterday morning by the fact that the petition asking for the annulling of his election was dismissed with costs.

TROLLEY IN THE DITCH

Fifteen Persons Injured in Accident at New York City.

New York, Jan. 15.—Fifteen persons were injured, one of them so badly that he may die, when a trolley car crowded with passengers, jumped the track in the Bronx today, slid down an incline and struck a telegraph pole. The motorman was thrown head-foremost into a ditch, every passenger was smashed, and many passengers were cut by broken glass or hurt in the panic when each passenger tried to be the first to escape from the car.

PROPOSITION FROM G. T. R.

The Engineers Will Present It to the Brotherhood.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 15.—The Grand Trunk engineers who have been for many months in Montreal representing the brotherhood employed on the line, and who have endeavored to convince the management that they are entitled to increase in wages, have returned to their homes. It is understood they will place before the members a proposition from their company that they think will be accepted.

\$25,000 BURIED IN COFFIN

Old Lady's Body Exhumed, as Her Money Was Missing.

Vienna, Jan. 16.—At Hilde, in Lip-tau, Hungary, there died the other day a landed proprietress named Susanna Cropspe.

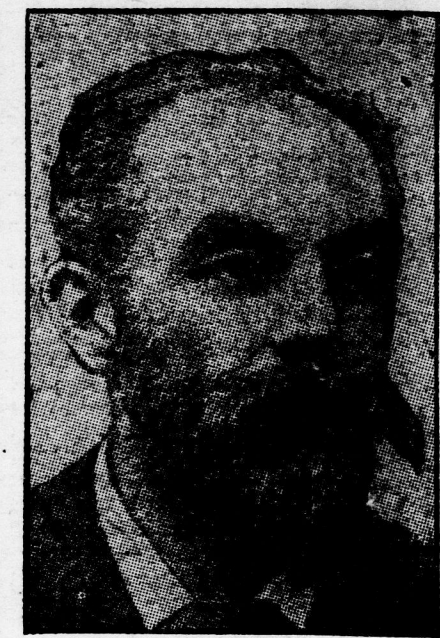
As it was known that she was rich, it caused astonishment that after her death no money was found. Somebody had reason to believe that it had been buried with her, and her body was exhumed by order of the authorities.

On opening the coffin a sum of 600,000 kronen (\$25,000) in bank notes was found in the pillow under her head.

The old lady's heir, a certain Peter Cropspe, fled to America 12 years ago to escape military service, and since then nothing has been heard of him.

Great Wind in Ohio.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 16.—Dispatches received today from various points in Ohio and Kentucky tell of great damage by a severe wind, rain, and hail-storm last night. During the height of the storm the wind reached a velocity of from 40 to 60 miles an hour. The telegraph and telephone companies suffered severely by wires being blown down in all directions.



JOHN BURNS,
Member of the Liberal Cabinet and
Leader of the Laborites, Who are
Showing Remarkable Strength in
the British Elections.

Patrick Repleved.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Albert T. Patrick, the New York lawyer, convicted and awaiting execution in Sing Sing prison next week for the murder of William Marsh Rice, an aged and very wealthy man, in New York city in September, 1900, was relieved yesterday afternoon by Governor Higgins until Monday, March 19, a space of 56 days.

SOMETHING DOING AT HAMILTON; REVOLVER VOLLEY WAKES 'EM UP

Lawyer Takes a Strenuous Method to Protect His Clients' Property.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Hamilton, Jan. 16.—A fusillade of shots, followed by a score of men running in every direction, shouting murder, brought a dozen policemen to the corner of Main and James streets this morning on the run. J. L. Counsell, a well-known lawyer, got a tip that the White Contracting Company, of Montreal, was battering down the re-

PHILLIPS REMANDED

Counsel Declines to Appeal or Elect—Ball Is Renewed.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Jan. 16.—A remand of eight days was made in the case of Joseph Phillips, the York County Loan president, today. Phillips appeared in the police court with his bailman, W. H. Hunter. J. E. Jones appeared for him, and declined to plead or elect. The \$5,000 bail bond was renewed.

MANITOBA AND 'PHONES

Measure Providing for a Provincial System Is Shelved.

Winnipeg, Jan. 16.—The Legislature resumed its sitting last evening, when Mr. G. Lawrence, of Killarney, moved the address in reply, and Dr. Hicks seconded it. Adjournment of the debate was moved by Hon. Mr. Mickle, leader of the Opposition. Four departmental reports were brought down, namely, those of the board of health, railway commissioner, minister of education and the provincial secretary. It is generally understood that the measure providing for the provincial telephone system has been shelved since the idea of dissolution was abandoned, although Dr. Hicks strongly indorsed the proposition in his speech.

Field Worse Again.

New York, Jan. 16.—At 9 o'clock today Marshall Field's physicians issued the following bulletin: "Mr. Field's condition is worse than it was last evening. There appears to be a spreading of the disease. While his case is critical, it is not hopeless."

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Colder.

London, Tuesday, Jan. 16.
Sun rises, 7:43 a.m. Moon rises, 11:55 p.m.
Sun sets, 5:07 p.m. Moon sets, 11:35 a.m.

Toronto, Jan. 15—8 p.m.
Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Dawson, 46 below—25 below; Atlin, 30 below—18 below; Victoria, 38—44; Edmonton, 8 below—4 below; Winnipeg, 2 below—8; Port Arthur, 20—36; Parry Sound, 24—41; Toronto, 30—36; Ottawa, 30—36; Montreal, 14—20; Quebec, 14—22; St. John, 20—26; Halifax, 24—30.

FORECASTS.
Tuesday, Jan. 16—8 a.m.
Today—Strong winds and cold, westerly to northwesterly; turning cooler, with snowfalls and furies.

Wednesday—Fair and cold.
TEMPERATURES.
Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Calgary 8 4 Rain
Winnipeg 0 0 Rain
Party Sound 32 20 Snow
Toronto 34 26 Rain
Ottawa 32 26 Rain
Montreal 32 26 Rain
Quebec 28 20 Snow

The sign indicates below zero.
Pronounced disturbances exist this morning in the lake region and in British Columbia. The weather has been colder in the Northwest Provinces, but no very low temperatures have been recorded.
The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 9 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 46°; lowest, 24°.

Have Not Kept Faith

Toronto, Jan. 16.—"A Government and a party which does not keep faith with the people will sooner or later have to settle with the people, and the Whitney Government has not kept faith." In this way, Mr. Arch Campbell, M. P., began a brief address at the annual meeting of the West York Liberals, held yesterday afternoon in Dufferin Hall, Weston. He proceeded to point out that for years the Conservatives, led by Mr. Whitney, had declared that when they came into office they would find many things wrong in finance. They had been overhauling the Provincial Treasurer's books, and so far nothing had been discovered. Mr. Whitney and his followers assailed the legislation providing for the succession duties, but they have received \$700,000 from those duties, and all denunciation of them by the Conservatives has ceased. The Provincial tax on wealthy corporations had the opposition of the present Ontario Government, but the tax was collected by them quite as efficiently, and would not be given up. The Provincial Conservatives, led by the present Premier and members of his Government, opposed the Temiskaming Railway, which had been the means of opening up much of the immense wealth of the district it was to serve, but the railway was retained, and would be extended by the men who were its bitterest enemies.

The Unexpected Happened At City Council Meeting

Liquormen Anticipated That the License Reduction Bylaw Would Be Defeated—Wroth at Ald. Cooper.

The holding of last night's council meeting somewhat earlier than usual has given rise to a great deal of gossip in municipal circles, with which is mingled not a little temperance and liquor talk.

Why did Mayor Judd hold the meeting before 8 o'clock, when it is customary to wait until that hour? And why did he hold it when two temperance men were absent and only one liquor man had failed to put in an appearance?

Why was the meeting called to order sooner than usual when no notice of the move was given on the notices sent out to the aldermen?

The questions are prompted in the minds of those who realize what might have been if the expected, instead of the unexpected, had happened last night.

When the council was called to order nine aldermen were in their chairs. According to form, as they say in the races, five of these were for reduction of the licenses, and four against. Ald. Cooper was on the liquor side, and it was expected that he would vote against the reduction, but it turned out that he voted the other way.

But supposing Ald. Cooper voted as the liquor men declare he should have voted to keep faith with them, and Ald. Gillean had been in his chair, what would have been the result? Simply this—the proposed reduction of licenses would not have bothered the liquor men, because the vote would have stood five to five on a proposal to have the city solicitor draft a by-law to reduce the number of licenses to 26, and it would consequently have been negated according to the rules of the council.

Under such a condition, it would require a two-thirds vote of the council to resurrect the reduction matter, and this, of course, would scarcely have been obtainable by the temperance advocates.

After the meeting some of the liquor men were very wrong in their heads. "We missed the chance of our lives there," they said, and some of them

AIR PIPE BURST; WORKMEN PERISH

Four Tunnel Workers at New York Victims of Accident to Compressed Air.

New York, Jan. 16.—Two negro tunnel workers were killed by suffocation and caisson disease, two were drowned, two others were seriously overcome, and the white foreman and assistant suffered severely in rescuing those who survived, when a compressed air pipe burst, in the East River Tunnel, on Man-o-War reef, opposite Forty-second street, early today.

The bodies of the drowned men still lie at the bottom of the shaft 20 feet below the river level. These men were overwhelmed by the water that entered the shaft when the pressure was removed. The other two dead men were hoisted to the surface by the foreman and his assistant, who also rescued the two whose lives were saved. The foreman and his assistant were hoisted to the river level with the bodies just in time to escape drowning and death by the "bends," as the dreaded caisson disease is called.

FLAMES SWEEP AN OHIO TOWN

Convoy, Near Lima, Reported Wiped Out by Great Conflagration.

Lima, Ohio, Jan. 16.—The town of Convoys, 30 miles west of here, with a population of about 600, is reported to have been swept away by fire during the night. Wires are all down, and no information is yet obtainable except from crews of Pennsylvania Railroad trains. One fast train was flagged by citizens of the town, and an appeal was sent to Van Wert for aid.

Know What Will Be Done In Matter of Licenses

That's What Chairman of Commissioners Said When Asked About Reduction.

Chairman Greer, of the board of license commissioners, does not share the belief that the reduction in the number of liquor licenses to 26 will mean the barring out of a new hostelry for London.

"On the contrary," he said to The Advertiser today, "I believe the reduction of licenses will afford a better opening for a new hostelry."

"For example, why does not someone who wants to put up a new hostelry buy one of the old places on the market and build a fine new building? Certainly, the commission would put no stones in his road. There are eight places, too, which might be bought, and where a new hotel, if put up properly, and run by the right person, would be sure to pay."

"Is it not true that Mr. Wm. Per-nard desires to put up a handsome new house on the corner of Dundas and Wellington streets?" was asked.

"We have heard something of it," the chairman said, "but it is not quite in line with our policy. The aim of the commission is to centralize the hotels. Every move we make is to keep them as much together as possible. And we have not as yet been convinced that the corner of Dundas and Wellington streets is the proper place for another hotel. We are, however, ready to go anything reasonable to assist any man who will put up a new hotel, where the board thinks is a fit and proper place. And, as I said before, we all feel that a new hotel on the market is badly needed."

Asked what he thought of the evidence which had been adduced in the recent cases in which several hotelmen had been fined, Mr. Greer said it was all right.

"Strong enough to hang a man on," he said.

"I suppose you'd like to know who's going to be cut off," continued the chairman with a laugh. "Well, to tell you the truth, nothing has as yet been decided, but nevertheless the commissioners know pretty well what will be done. We have been in power going on for a year now. We have made a study of the license problem, and we know who is keeping hotel and who is not."