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## Every Effort to Increase Power Supply Before Next Winter, Says Sir Adam Beck, Just Home

Was Given a Hearty Welcome by London Friends—Tells of Hydro Prospects—More Power by Next Year Via Queenston-Chippawa Scheme.

LONDON, Ont., March 15.—Completely recovered from his recent serious illness, Sir Adam Beck returned to London yesterday after an absence of three months in England, whither he went because of the serious condition of Lady Beck. Sir Adam himself was attacked there by double pneumonia. Lady Beck is doing splendidly following her operation, but it will be two or three months before she will be able to sail for Canada.

A party of prominent Londoners, composed of members of the City Council, London Railway Commission, the utilities commission, the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and others went to St. Thomas and met the Power Chief when he returned from the Michigan Central Express. The Mayor and other dignitaries were escorted back to this city and a luncheon at the Teumseh House. Sir Adam and the party being

the guests of Philip Pocock, Vice-Chairman of the Railway Commission and Thos. W. McFarland, Chairman of the Utilities Commission.

In regard to the power situation in Ontario, Sir Adam said that every effort will be made to increase the supply before next winter. It is thought that a small block can be secured, and with the Commission following the policy of accepting no new customers for a time, he thinks this addition will make it possible to carry on satisfactorily over another winter.

In the summer or autumn of 1921 the Chippawa scheme will begin to give results and the shortage will thus be brought to an end.

In conclusion, Sir Adam said that he expects the interests will make a vigorous battle against the Hydro-radial scheme, as they have been very antagonistic since Hydro invaded the field that is to be served by the Guelph radial lines.

## Big Meeting Sunday Afternoon Hears About the Gratuity Of the Great War Vets

Resolutions Passed Protesting Against the Cutting Down of Pensions to Widowed Mothers—Dr. Wilson, Head of the G.W.V.A., Gives Address

Dr. Wilson, President of the G. W. V. A. yesterday afternoon explained the gratuity question plan of his organization at a large meeting in the Grand Opera House made up chiefly of returned soldiers.

Mayor Lovelace presided and had with him on the platform besides Dr. Wilson, Aldermen, Graves, Dakers, Wood and Riffer, Rev. H. A. Priest, Lt. Col. McCordick, Major E. H. Lancaster, Ben Mesler, W. B. Burgoyne and others. The orchestra supplied good music.

Secretary Cunningham of the G. W. V. A. before the speaking commenced extended an invitation to President Harry Flynn of the United Veterans League and President J. E. Ball, of the St. Catharines branch, whom he understood were in the audience, to come onto the platform. President Ball accepted the invitation, Mr. Flynn not being present.

Mayor Lovelace in opening remarks said the presence of so many soldiers was evidence that they had not forgotten the gratuity question and it is certain that whether they were disappointed or not in getting the gratuity they could go on through life holding their heads high feeling sure they had done their duty. The Mayor made a plea for unity among the soldiers. There is no point in having three organizations. If they hoped to accomplish anything they must stick together.

Secretary Cunningham who spoke briefly, said the Mayor was right, the only way for the returned men to get anywhere is through united action, and speaking of the U. V. L.'s scheme of \$1,000, \$15,000 and \$2,000, Mr. Cunningham said it was unfair to give the young farmer \$1,000 who had been in the army a week or two by the M. S. A. The men who fought in France deserves a great deal more consideration than the man who was forced into the army at the last minute after perhaps making a lot of money out of munitions. He spoke of the many things accomplished by the G. W. V. A. working on a conservative and reasonable basis. "Some plan which will go over the top is what we must

decide on," said Mr. Cunningham.

He referred to the action of the government in reducing the pensions of widowed mothers owning their home from \$48 to \$30.

He moved a resolution protesting against this, which resolution the meeting passed with enthusiasm. It is as follows:—

Moved by G. Atkins seconded by W. Grenville, whereas it has been brought to the notice of the citizens and ex-service men here assembled that the Government, through the Board of Pension Commissioners, Ottawa, in their wisdom have issued an order in council whereby the pension awarded to a widowed mother may be reduced from \$48 to whatever the Board of Pension Commissioners may deem advisable.

And whereas it has been brought to not possible for a widowed mother to pension had been reduced from \$48 to \$30 because she owns her home.

And whereas in our opinion, it is not possible for a widowed mother to secure a home and support herself on a pension of \$46 per month, especially with the present high cost of living.

And whereas it is obvious in our minds that the widowed mother's who own their home obtained same before their son's enlistment, or through other channels than that which is supplied by the Government in the form of pensions.

Therefore be it resolved that we the citizens and ex-service men here assembled do go on record as protesting against the action of the Government in authorizing the reduction of pensions awarded to widowed mothers for the loss of their main or sole support, and we respectfully inform the Government that this action is regarded by us as an attempt on their part to "Break faith with those who sleep in Flanders' fields."

And we further resolve that we do herewith request the government to immediately issue instructions to the Board of Pension Commissioners to discontinue the reductions in widowed mother's whose pensions have

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### THE WEATHER

TORONTO, Mar. 15.—A pronounced disturbance is centered this morning over the Northwest states and snow has fallen throughout Saskatchewan and Alberta, accompanied by strong northerly winds. The weather is fair and moderately cold from the Ottawa valley to the Maritime provinces.

FORECASTS—Winds increasing to gales from south and southwest becoming warmer, showers late tonight or on Tuesday but mostly fair.

### Facts Point to Ex-Crown Prince

SHOWS EFFORTS BEING MADE TO SPIRIT HIS WAY FROM WEIRINGEN.

THE HAGUE, Mar. 15.—Despite semi-official Dutch assurance that neither the ex-kaiser nor the former crown prince had anything to do with the German military revolt, facts which have just come to light point strongly to a well organized effort on the part of the unkens to spirit Friedrich Wilhelm away from his retreat on the Island of Weiringen with the view to putting him on the throne of a restored German monarchy.

A Zeppelin airship and a hydroplane of mysterious ownership and purpose, which have been at Amsterdam for some days, made sudden signs of getting ready to depart yesterday. The Dutch government's secret agents who are closely watching these airships and their crews, immediately reported this and a few minutes later a Dutch officer with a small squad of soldiers arrived on the scene and forbade any move on the part of the Zeppelin and aircraft. Guards were stationed about the airship, which is understood from a well informed source that the Netherlands government feared the aircraft would make an attempt to carry off the ex-crown prince.

T. C. Robinette, K.C., died early yesterday morning as result of a stroke.

## The Diocese of Niagara Stands Third in List of 25 in Forward Giving

Dr. Clark, Lord Bishop of Niagara, who was in the city yesterday, congratulating classes at the Anglican Churches warmly complimented the churches on their record in the Forward Movement givings.

He said that the little Diocese of Niagara, wedged in as it is, between two other great dioceses, had stood third in the list of dioceses of the Anglican churches in Canada.

This diocese was asked for \$180,000 and you responded with over \$300,000, a splendid record," said the Bishop.

He referred to the splendid work of



SIR ADAM BECK

## Montreal Express From Boston Hits Freight; 6 Perish

TWO ENGINEERS, ONE FIREMAN, AND TWO BRAKEMEN DIE IN CRASH.

BELLOWS FALLS, VT., Mar. 15.—Six men were killed, four were severely injured and several suffered lesser injuries in a head-on collision late today between the Boston and Montreal express, northbound, and a freight on the Rutland railroad four miles north of here. They dead were the engineers, one passenger, one fireman and two brakemen. So far as is known no passengers were severely injured. The express left Boston yesterday morning and was late. How the accident happened is not known. The road is double tracked.

Four of the bodies were still under the wreckage last night. The dead engineers were Thomas Sullivan of Bellows Falls, in charge of the passenger train, and George Cady of Rutland, in charge of the freight. The injured were removed to hospitals. The wreckage was broken up tracks.

F. S. Kent of Rockingham, a passenger, who was taken to a hospital, died early last night bringing the death list to six. Other passengers taken to the hospital were G. A. Simonds of Portland, Maine, and Enoch Dulosh of Ludlow. Their condition is said to be serious.

## Mrs. G. H. Smith of This City And Others Officers of the I. O. D. E. Handed in Resignations

### LOUTH COUNCIL

Louth Council met pursuant to adjournment at Frank's Hall, Jordan on Monday, March 8, 1920 at 10 a.m. with all the members present.

On motion of Mrs. G. H. Smith and S. C. Houseberger a by-law was introduced authorizing the borrowing of ten thousand dollars during the year if required.

On motion of W. Leidens and Wm. Scull the said by-law was read a second and third time.

On motion of Mrs. Scull and Jno. G. Smith, the Reeve and Clerk were authorized to sign and submit to the Department of Public Highways of the Province of Ontario, the statement of the Corporation of the Township of Louth showing that during the period from 1st of May 1919 to 31st of January 1920 there has been paid as salary to the Road Overseer appointed under By-law No. 655 the sum of \$540 and requesting the grant as provided by the Ontario Highways Act 1915.

On motion of W. Leidens and Jno. G. Smith the clerk was authorized to draw a lease of the Municipal buildings for one year to Farnk Hanigan for the sum of \$100 for the year 1920, rent to be paid quarterly, all necessary repairs to be executed by the municipality. Said municipal building being on west side of Main street in the Village of Jordan.

On motion of S. C. Houseberger and Mrs. Scull that a committee consisting of the whole council be appointed to investigate the request of Mr. J. N. Smith regarding opening road.

On motion of Wm. Scull and Jno. G. Smith the Collector was relieved from collecting the sum of twelve hundred and twelve dollars as per statement.

On motion of Jno. G. Smith and Wm. Scull the Reeve and Clerk were authorized to sign and submit to the Department of Public Highways of Ontario the statement of the Corporation of the Township of Louth showing that during the period from January 1st, 1919 to March 1919 there has been paid as salary to the Road Overseer appointed under By-law No. 631 the sum of \$125 and requesting the grant as provided by the Ontario Highways Act 1915.

On motion of S. C. Houseberger and Wm. Scull leave was given to introduce a by-law to stop up and convey to Mary Ann Walter Corbett part of the unopened allowance for road between the townships of Grantham and Louth.

On motion of S. C. Houseberger and W. Leidens a number of accounts were paid.

On motion of Wm. Scull and W. Leidens the council adjourned to meet again at Frank's Hall, Jordan, on Monday April 5th, 1920 at 10 a.m.

At a mass meeting held yesterday the combined executives of the G.A.C. and U.V.L. selected Major G. W. Stoddard as their candidate for the coming by-election in Northeast Toronto.

A jury under Coroner R. H. Fleming pronounced the shooting tragedy which resulted in the death of eleven year old Elsie Dunn in Tolmorden, on Friday, to have been accidental.

## Dissentions in the Ranks of the Imperial Daughters of the Empire Dates Back Some Time, Charges Having Been Made Against Administration by Lady Kingsmill

Announcement was made last night that Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, who for some ten years has been president of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire has resigned from the executive and from the War Memorial Committee. It was also announced that Mrs. Geo. H. Smith, of St. Catharines, National Educational Secretary of the Order who for the past five years has been active in the work, particularly latterly in connection with the War Memorial, has also resigned, a third resignation sent in is that of Mrs. Donald McGillivray, National Secretary. No official reasons for the resignation could be obtained from members of the executive last night, the only information given out by the press committee being that the letter of resignation from Mrs. Gooderham stated it was impossible for her to remain on the executive under present conditions, but that she still retains her position as honorary vice-president, and retains her membership in the order.

Mrs. Smith said this morning that she did not care to make any statement. Her resignation has not been accepted.

The discussion which has led to the resignations, it was learned, dates back to the last annual meeting when Lady Kingsmill made certain charges against the presidents administration of the affairs of the Order. Although denied by Mrs. Gooderham at the time, the charges appeared in the official publication of the Order, and her resignation, accompanied by a statement refuting the charges, sent to all secretaries of Chapters, is the outcome. In this statement Mrs. Gooderham says in part:—"In spite of my repeated denials the charges have not been withdrawn, but have been reiterated and Lady Kingsmill continues to enjoy the confidence of the Order and of the National Executive. Under these circumstances, I cannot continue to hold responsible positions in the Order, and I have therefore resigned from the National Executive and the War Memorial Committee."

Nature of Charges

The communication then goes on to review the controversy in detail Mrs. Gooderham placing all the detail from the minutes of meetings, and other documents, before the secretaries so that members throughout Canada may judge for themselves the question at issue. "If they will do so," the statement proceeds, "I am content to leave it to their judgment and intelligence whether the administration of

the affairs of the Order under my presidency were not "open" "fair" and "calculated to ensure harmony." Mrs. Gooderham then goes on to point out that she is not entering into a controversy for personal reasons, and concludes. "I am deeply interested in the future of the Order, but if members are prepared to accept without inquiry unsupported attacks upon its officers and to continue their confidence in those who make them, I do not see how responsible people are to be found willing to administer the affairs of the Order or when found, are to carry on its work successfully."

The main charge of Lady Kingsmill is based on her contention that in some cases important resolutions were not communicated to the councilors who were absent from the meetings as provided for in a resolution passed by the National Executive. Meeting this charge Mrs. Gooderham shows by extracts from the actual records that what was provided for were synopses of the minutes of the meetings, but in order to give even fuller information, to absent councilors, important resolutions were communicated to them immediately after being discussed at executive meetings. She shows from chapter and verse of the minutes the proof of her statement, and adds that all it would have been perfectly apparent to Lady Kingsmill if she had taken the trouble before making her statement to compare the minutes with the synopses and circular letters sent to chapters and councilors.

Another charge made by Lady Kingsmill concerns the allocation of funds raised for "French relief," which were to be distributed through the Red Cross, Lady Kingsmill charging that the national executive merely made a cloak of the Red Cross to get funds for the Military Hospitals Committee (Postes de Secours) in answer to this Mrs. Gooderham gives copies of the correspondence to the Canadian Red Cross Commissioner, Col. Blaycock, asking whether the funds could not be used to establish depots like the French Postes de Secours, to be known as the "Daughters of the Empire Postes de Secours." The correspondence shows that the money was distributed through the Red Cross for French relief work.

A fourth charge is of a personal nature, Lady Kingsmill complaining that she could not see some documents she wished while in Toronto; and fourth charges the Toronto members of the committee with high handedness in regard to the War Memorial.

## Prisoner in Police Court Tells Magistrate That He Bought Scotch For \$3

Peter Adair was dragged in police court today with being drunk and assaulting an officer who was arresting him. He admitted both charges.

He had bought two bottles of whiskey from a stranger. He paid \$3 for a bottle of scotch.

"That's pretty cheap," observed Crown Attorney Brennan. "You can make money getting Scotch at that price."

Adair also pleaded guilty to assaulting P. C. Kellem, who arrested him, though he said he did not remember anything about it.

"I told the officer this morning I was very sorry," said the prisoner.

P. C. Kellem said he saw Adair on James Street Sunday noon under the influence of liquor. He went over to arrest him whereupon Adair made a

pass at him with his fist. The officer got him down and Adair kicked him.

Adair offered no evidence and was fined \$46, including costs.

A lad 16, charged with stealing loaf sugar from Young's Chinese restaurant said he wasn't guilty. The sugar was found in his overcoat.

The magistrate let him go on suspended sentence but with a severe warning of to try it again.

Peter Largort and Frank Neal pleaded guilty to being drunk and disorderly on a local line car going to Merriton Saturday night and were fined \$20 each.

Sir Oliver Lodge addressed a large audience at Massy Hall on "The Evidence for Survival."



Part of Rockaway Beach, N.Y., after the great storm which smashed four hotels and several iron piers, doing about \$2,000,000 damage.