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Special to The Standard.

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Mr. Mackenzie King's Liberal Ministry is now in the seats of the mighty.

Ontario gets five portfolios, Quebec five, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick one each, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia one each and Manitoba none in other words, and including the Solicitor Generalship, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces are given as much representation as the rest of the country combined. From beyond the lakes, which includes four provinces and contains over fifty ridings there are but three ministers, and two of these are without seats in the House.

Quebec Representation Strong

The Quebec representation is regarded as very strong. Mr. Gounin, Mr. LaPointe, Mr. Bureau and Mr. Belland are all able, experienced parliamentarians and around the cabinet table will have the support of Senator Dandurand, an able and forcible politician. Ontario ministers are vastly less formidable. Mr. Grimes and Mr. Murphy have both had experience as administrators, and the latter is a strong parliamentarian, but Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Murdoch are practically unknown. Taken all in all, an impartial opinion tonight was that Mr. King had taken far more of the "old guard" than he had not, and that, on the other hand, he had not done badly considering the difficulties he had to encounter and the material which he had to work with.

Conscriptionists Accepted, no Quarter in the Composition of the New Cabinet. Mr. Fielding and Mr. Stewart are the only two in it who were not "with Laurier in 1917. The "old guard" is regarded as having triumphed all along the line. With the exception of Mr. Motherwell, the free trade wing of the party, is entirely eliminated. Customs goes to Mr. Jacques Bureau, a confirmed protectionist; Finance to Mr. Fielding, the author of a tariff higher than that which at present exists; Trade and Commerce, to Mr. James Robb, who believes in substantial duties.

Usual Formalities.

The swearing in ceremony saw the usual formalities. Mr. King was on hand early, but most of the Ministers were late in arriving, and it was more than ten minutes after the appointed hour when, most of them looking immensely pleased, but others looking nervous and awkward, filed into the Governor General's office. Mr. Mulgrew said good bye to His Excellency about twenty minutes before. The ex-Premier looked and acted as though a great burden had been lifted from his shoulders. As he stopped to shake hands with the correspondents he swapped stories, and in high spirits. "Are you here for the funeral or the birth?" he asked as he greeted the newspapermen, then after some talk he walked down stairs and left the buildings as unconcerned as though he intended returning within an hour.

At the conclusion of the administration of the oath, Mr. King, through his secretary, issued a statement. Briefly, it stated that, in the formation of his cabinet, the Premier had aimed for national unity; pointed out that there was a reduction of the size of the cabinet in the interest of economy; said that Mr. Rodolphe Lemieux would be the new Speaker of the House; that Senator Bostock had only taken public works for the time being; that the new government would institute honorary positions of parliamentary under secretaries.

FOX PELT SALE

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 29.—During the past year fox pelts valued at over \$1,000,000 were sold on the island, the sales being the largest in the history of the fur farming industry.

IRISH COUNCILS PASS RESOLVES FAVORING TREATY RATIFICATION

Dublin, Dec. 29.—The Offaly County Council, in the constituency of Dr. Patrick MacCartan, former Sinn Fein "ambassador" to the United States, today adopted a resolution in favor of ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty. The resolution carried with it an amendment, appealing to the Dail Eireann to act unitedly in whatever decision it should take.

The corporation of the town of Sligo was among the other bodies today which passed resolutions supporting ratification.

PREMIER KING'S CABINET

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—(By Canadian Press)—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Liberal Leader, was sworn in as Prime Minister this afternoon. His Cabinet slate is officially announced as follows:

- NOVA SCOTIA:**—
Hon. William Stevens Fielding, L.L.D., D. C. L., Minister of Finance.
Hon. Daniel Duncan McKenzie, Minister without portfolio and Solicitor General.
- NEW BRUNSWICK:**—
Hon. A. B. Copp, L.L.B., Secretary of State.
- PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND:**—
Hon. John Ewen Sinclair, Minister without portfolio.
- QUEBEC:**—
Hon. Raoul Dandurand, L.L.D., K. C., Minister without portfolio.
Hon. Henri Severin Beland, B. A., M. D., Minister of Soldiers' Re-establishment and Minister in charge of the Department of Health.
Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, K. C. M. G., L.L.D., Minister of Justice.
Hon. Jacques Bureau, L.L.B., Minister of Customs and Excise.
Hon. Ernest Lapointe, B. A., L.L.B., K. C., Minister of Marine and Fisheries.
Hon. James Alexander Robb, Minister of Trade and Commerce.
- ONTARIO:**—
Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, C. M. G., M. A., L.L.B., L.L.D., Prime Minister, Secretary of State for External Affairs, President of the Privy Council.
Hon. George Perry Graham, Minister of Militia and Defence and Minister of the Naval Service.
Hon. Charles Murphy, B. A., K. C., Postmaster General.
Hon. Thomas Andrew Low, Minister without portfolio.
Hon. Wm. Costello Kennedy, Minister of Railways and Canals.
Hon. James Murdoch, Minister of Labor.
- SASKATCHEWAN:**—
Wm. Richard Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture.
- ALBERTA:**—
Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, Minister of Mines.
- BRITISH COLUMBIA:**—
Hon. Hewitt Bostock, M.A., Minister of Public Works.

Prince Greeted Everywhere With Great Enthusiasm

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London, Dec. 29.—A despatch to the London Times from Calcutta, reviewing the stay of the Prince of Wales in that city, says there has been an almost total absence of disorder, and that since the peacefulness of the first day of the Prince's visit, "gave the rise to stories of impending massacres" and the people found it safe to go into the street, great crowds have seized upon every opportunity to see the Prince and to share in the festivities.

The despatch adds that the city progressively has grown more festive day by day; that the Prince is followed everywhere with great enthusiasm, and that all stories of mob violence are untrue. The only fatality was the murder of a single policeman, who was found dead on a quiet street corner of the city.

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Further Protest of Election In West Calgary Likely

Believed That Careful Scrutiny of Ballots Will Give Bennett Small Majority.

Calgary, Dec. 29.—The last word has not been written in the now famous West Calgary election which ended after the official recount in a victory for J. P. Shaw, independent Farmer-Labor candidate, over Hon. R. B. Bennett, former Minister of Justice, by a majority of 16 votes.

The fact that, if the ballots, which clearly indicate intent to vote for Mr. Bennett, sixteen of them marked in ink and seven with the figure "1" for Mr. Shaw were all counted, Mr. Bennett would have a majority of three or possibly four votes, has led to talk of the matter over and over reached the conclusion that a further protest should be made.

PROMINENT MEN MENTIONED AS CANDIDATES

To Contest for Conservatives By-Election in Constituency of Arjenteuil County.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—The names of Hon. Robert Rogers, former Dominion Minister of Public Works, and Sir George Perley, Canadian High Commissioner in London, are talked of in responsible circles here as possible conservative candidates for the federal by-election in Arjenteuil county, caused by the recent death of P. R. McGillivray, Liberal member for the constituency.

Hon. Mr. Rogers is a native son, having been born in the constituency. He has written local parties that he will arrive in Montreal next week and close friends here declare he would be willing to become a candidate.

Sir George Perley has already represented Arjenteuil county during his career in the House of Commons, and many Conservatives here entertain the belief that he will again seek political honors. Sir George is at present on his way back to Canada with the intention, if it is understood of handing in his resignation as Secretary of the Dominion.

At least five local names are mentioned prominently as likely to contest the seat in the Liberal interest.

CANADA'S VOICE HEARD AGAINST THE SUBMARINE

Sir Robert Borden in Forceful and Eloquent Speech Utters the Country's Protest.

SIR ROBERT PLEASD WITH CONFERENCE

Regards the Work Accomplished as Gratifying and Helpful to Humanity.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Canada's voice was heard today at the peace conference. In a speech, which was pronounced by members of the British Empire and United States delegation to be "at once forceful and eloquent," Sir Robert Borden uttered the indignant protest of his country against the abuse of the submarine. He spoke in support of the Root resolutions, which, after stating the law of nations upon the subject, declared that the five great powers should pledge themselves not to use a submarine at any time to prey upon commerce, or bring about the slaughter of neutrals and non-combatants. Sir Robert said he could speak with deep feeling on this subject and voice the unanimous opinion of the Canadian people.

Accept Root's Resolution

All the nations represented at today's meeting agreed in principle with the Root resolutions, and the debate was largely upon their phraseology.

Former United States Secretary of State Root, dealing with his resolution proposed a strict application of the rules he had set forth for submarines as well as other naval craft, said in part:

"The public opinion of the world says that the submarine is not, under any circumstances, exempt from the rules of war. This is a negation of the assertion of Germany in the war that a submarine could not capture a merchant vessel in accordance with established rules, the rules must still and the submarine was entitled to make the capture. The public opinion of the civilized world has denied this and has rendered its judgment in the action that won the war. It was the revolt of humanity against the position of Germany that led to Germany's defeat.

"My friends and colleagues, this is real life we are dealing with here. This is no perfunctory business for a committee of lawyers. It is a state moment of action, and of consequence. Principles universally known, and not open to discussion, but in such a form that it may crystallize the public opinion of the world, that there may be no doubt in any future war whether the kind of action that sent down the Lusitania is legitimate war or piracy."

Denounce Submarine.

When the committee adjourned at 5:30 the point under discussion was other the five nations should bludge themselves not to use the submarine against neutral, non-combatant and merchant vessels without waiting for the adherence of other nations. It is expected that an emphatic resolution will be agreed upon tomorrow step in civilization, and be also regarded as of great importance the restrictions upon the tonnage of cruiser and naval plane carriers, and the limitation upon the calibre of guns carried upon such vessels.

The Far Eastern question, he said, had been approached in a most excellent spirit and while it might be necessary to refer some of the questions to another conference to be assembled at Peking, in the near future, great progress had been effected in clearing away misunderstanding between the United States and Japan, and in bringing into closer friendship the people of the British Empire and the people of the United States.

3,500 ARRESTED IN CALCUTTA ON CHARGES OF DISORDERLY CONDUCT

London, Dec. 29.—It was officially stated today that the importation of disorderly elements into Calcutta on December 23, to enforce the "hartal" by terrorizing shop-keepers, resulted in 650 arrests for obstruction and on other charges of disorderly conduct.

Arrests in Calcutta, for similar reasons, during the past six weeks have totalled 3,500, according to the statement.

It was also stated that there were no signs of the "hartal" on the 23rd throughout the greater part of the city, and on subsequent days of the Prince of Wales' visit the crowds were both enormous and enthusiastic, denoting the absolute failure of the non-cooperationists' efforts to halt all festivities. It was added that, as a result of this failure, Mahatma Gandhi and his followers had been greatly discredited.

PLANNING TO SAVE IRISH PEACE TREATY

Opponents and Advocates in Dail Anxious to Avoid Wrecking the Agreement.

Dublin, Dec. 29.—Although no compromise between the opponents and advocates of the Anglo-Irish treaty in the Dail Eireann has yet been attained, future plans, designed to avoid wrecking the agreement, are being considered.

It is generally recognized now that Eamon De Valera was right in stating that the Dail has no power to ratify the treaty. The treaty itself prescribes the mode of ratification to be by the members elected to sit in the House of Southern Ireland, which was constituted under the Home Rule Act of 1920, but which actually never met, and which, except for the purpose of ratifying the treaty, probably never will meet. Its full membership is nearly but not quite the same as that of the Dail.

The Dail includes some members from Northern Ireland and excludes four elected to the Southern Parliament from Trinity College. The idea is that after the Dail approves of the treaty, which it is expected to do by a comparatively small majority, the ratifying body, named in the treaty, shall be summoned. The Dail members who are dissatisfied with the treaty need not attend this gathering, it is pointed out, and thus their colleagues, plus the Trinity members, might ratify the document unanimously. The Dail would still function as Ireland's only recognized elected parliamentary assembly.

Failure of Italian Bank Caused Stir In Financial Circles

Italian Gov't Has Taken Steps to Guarantee Creditors Against Loss.

Rome, Dec. 29.—The closing of the doors of the Banca Italiana Di Sconto today created considerable of a stir in Italian financial circles. The suspension of payments followed an announcement by the government of a modified moratorium permitting the withholding of payments by certain corporations.

The bank is one of the largest in Italy. It includes in its holdings shares in the Ansaldo and Iva groups, which are among the great Italian industrial concerns. The suspension of payments did not cause any runs on other institutions, the depositors of which remained calm.

The Italian Agency says the Italian Government has taken steps to guarantee the creditors of the bank against losses and eventually to place the bank in a more favorable position.

There were no efforts made, up till the eleventh hour, to save the institution from closing its doors by a consortium of other banks. The sum required was 500,000,000 lire, but all the banks did not meet the appeal for aid and the Banca Italiana Di Sconto closed its doors.

Attempting To Break World's Record For Duration Flight

Present Record, 24 Hrs. 19 Min. and 7 Sec., Made in France Last Year.

Mineola, N. Y., Dec. 29.—At nine o'clock tonight Edward Stinson flying an all-metal monoplane, completed the first twelve hours of an attempt to break the world's record of 24 hours 19 minutes 7 seconds for remaining aloft in an airplane.

Despite furies of snow and a low ceiling of clouds Stinson took off at 9:30 this morning accompanied by Lloyd Berland alternate pilot and mechanic. Throughout the day he circled over Long Island and tonight his motor could be heard thrumming at intervals when he swooped low over the airframe where flares were kept alight to enable an emergency landing in case of necessity.

The present record was made in France in 1920 with a biplane equipped with two 200 horse power motors. Stinson's craft is provided with one 250-horse power motor.

BRITISH SCHR. HELD IN BOSTON BY THE CUSTOMS

"Golden West," Alleged Rum Runner, Picked Up By Coast Guard Cutter.

SUPPOSED TO HAVE ALCOHOL ABOARD

Close Watch Has Been Kept for the Vessel During Last Ten Days.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 29.—Customs officers tonight were standing guard over the British two-masted schooner Golden West, alleged rum-runner, seized by the Coast Guard cutter Acushnet, in Massachusetts Bay and towed into harbor here. Throughout the day officers were busy investigating the recent activities of the vessel, claimed by her skipper, Denis Amoro, of Tuxet, Wedge, N. S., to be a legitimate trader. The result of the investigation will be presented tomorrow to the United States District Attorney, who then will decide whether the schooner is to be held or released.

Captain Amoro retained counsel, and announced that he would make a fight to have his vessel set free. Explaining his presence close to shore and at anchor, when found by the Acushnet, the skipper declared that he had been having trouble with his sails for several days preceding the seizure. The manifest, which he exhibited to the officers who boarded the Golden West, said the vessel was bound from St. Pierre, Mig., to Nassau, B. W. I. The document was in French and hardly decipherable, according to the officers.

Alcohol Aboard

Inspection of the hold of the Golden West revealed a number of steel drums, believed by the customs men to contain alcohol. Federal authorities had been informed that the schooner left St. Pierre with 15,000 gallons of alcohol. The present cargo is estimated at 8,000. It could not be learned tonight whether the captain had admitted disposing of any of his stock during the voyage.

While the capture of the schooner was accidental, the Acushnet being on her way to Boston for another purpose at the time, the arrival of the Golden West in Boston waters was not a surprise to the federal officers. News of her departure from St. Pierre, on December 15, had been flashed to the United States authorities, and for the last ten days a close watch had been kept for her by coast guards and customs officers. Each night the lower harbor was patrolled, while off shore coast guard cutters kept a lookout. The Acushnet chased upon the schooner in the bay. Captain Laurier recognized the vessel as one the authorities desired to investigate and took her in charge.

According to Wilfrid E. Lufkin, collector of the port, the Golden West, formerly a Nova Scotia fishing schooner, was purchased in Halifax recently by a former Boston bar tender. The owner of the Golden West, customs men say, has other schooners engaged in traffic out of St. Pierre and movements of these vessels are being watched closely.

Heavy Decline In Canadian Trade For Twelve Months

Total Exports \$880,458,548, as Against \$1,289,536,430 Same Period Last Year.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Heavy declines in Canadian trade, both export and import, are shown by a bulletin just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the twelve months ended November 1921. The total exports for the 12 months were \$880,458,548, as against \$1,289,536,430 for the same period last year, and \$1,231,000,340 in 1919.

An even larger decrease is shown in the total imports. For the twelve month period ended last November these amounted to \$325,236,582, as against \$1,345,592,300 in 1920 and \$920,092,927 in 1919. Duty collected in the 12 months ended in November amounted to \$124,134,941, as against \$207,412,639 in 1920.

For the twelve months ending November, Canada imported goods from the United Kingdom to the value of \$122,802,142, and from the United States \$579,427,941. Exports to the United Kingdom were valued a \$306,217,708, and to the United States \$359,016,167.

Alleged Forger Said To Be Headed For This City

Amerst, N. S., Dec. 29.—Accused of forging the name of T. C. Douglas, manager of the Royal Bank here, and charged with \$30 and \$52, and cashing checks at local stores the day before Christmas, Parlee Shears, better known as Danny Lewis, is wanted by the police. The man is said to have purchased tickets for St. John, N. B.

Soviet Army And Navy Now Totals 1,593,000 Men

Trotsky Urges Intensive Training in Order to Be Prepared for War Next Summer.

Moscow, Dec. 29.—The Soviet Army and Navy, now totalling 1,593,000 men must not be reduced, but, on the contrary, must increase its training and be prepared for war next spring and summer in the event that outside foes carry out their plans to attack Soviet Russia, declared, Soviet Minister of War Trotsky in a fiery speech before the Ninth All-Russian Congress today.

Enthusiastic applause greeted Trotsky when he said the Japanese were aiding the white guard aggression in the Far East, and added:

"The impudent imperialistic beasts of prey must know that, besides the four powers, which have just concluded an agreement among themselves, there is still a fifth—Soviet Russia and the 'Red Army.'"

IRISH VOLUNTEERS URGED TO KEEP UP THEIR DISCIPLINE AND COURAGE

Dublin, Dec. 29.—The official organ of the Irish Volunteers today published the following statement:

"The officers and men of our army again have to face a period of uncertainty before the vital decisions affecting the future of the army and of the whole nation have been arrived at by those controlling Ireland's destinies. They must observe, during this period of uncertainty the same splendid discipline as shown since the first political crisis arose."