

# ALL ARGUMENT IS EXHAUSTED

## Political Leaders in England Hard Put to Keep Ball Rolling—Campaign Less Interesting.

### Validity of Law Compelling Lords to Keep Silence Is Questioned—Burns and Tariffs.

London, Jan. 7.—The energy of the political campaign by speech and by letter is undiminished, but by reason of the exhaustion of argument by the opposing sides, it is becoming less interesting.

Lord Lansdowne at Salisbury and Lord Curzon at Brighton, both challenged tonight the validity of the law which provided that members of the House of Lords may not take part in the campaign after the election writs are issued, which will be on Monday.

Both condemn forcing peers to keep silence and Lord Curzon characterized the rule as arbitrary and absurd. John Burns, president of the local government board, speaking at Battersea, said that the rule had caused nearly all wars that religions have not, and that a tax on timber might lead to war with the United States. He said he considered the speech delivered by A. J. Balfour, leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, in which alarmist references were made to Germany, about the most discreditable thing that ever had happened in public life.

In an address just issued, Mr. Burns declares himself in favor of the repeal of the law, which he says is a violation of the supremacy maintained inviolate. Describing himself as a convinced free trader and a hearty supporter of the Government policy, Mr. Burns outlines a programme of desirable legislation including adult suffrage for both men and women, the payment of the expenses of Parliament and their election expenses, shorter terms of Parliament, the extension of the old age pensions, etc.

The Earl of Halsbury, who was Lord Chancellor in Mr. Balfour's cabinet, as an argument for a big navy has brought forth a letter written in 1882 by General Gordon, predicting the rise in a quarter of a century of a naval power greater than Great Britain, namely, Germany.

## INCREASE IN REVENUE DURING DECEMBER

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 7.—The revenue of the Dominion for December 1909 was \$2,753,571 as compared with \$2,743,355 in December 1908. The revenue for the nine months ending 31 December was \$23,399,080 as against \$22,298,583 during the same period in 1908.

# PINCHOT IS DISMISSED BY TAFT AND WAR WITH INSURGENTS IS NOW ON

## Chief Forester of United States Interior Department Is Given Walking Ticket.

### Crisis in Pinchot-Ballinger Controversy Reached With Summary Action of President.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Gifford Pinchot, chief forester and intimate friend of Theodore Roosevelt, was dismissed from the service of the United States tonight by President Taft, for insubordination. Associate Forester Overton W. Price and Assistant Law Officer Alexander C. Shaw, Pinchot's immediate assistants, in the forestry bureau, followed their chief out of the government's employ.

Thoroughly indignant over the action of Mr. Pinchot in inducing Senators Dolliver, of Iowa, and Teed, of Kansas, to take an unjustified address to the jury at times became somewhat dramatic, and finally referred to Lyons as a "hoary-headed old scoundrel."

Judge Landry's charge was featured by his characteristic impartiality. Mr. Lyons, in his address on behalf of the defendant spoke briefly, urging the jury not to be swayed by the publicity that had been given the case by the newspapers.

## THE BURROWER WHO IS DISCOVERED IN GREY TOWN

### Finkelstein, The New York Painted, With a Dream Trapped in Net Of Own Making.

New York, Jan. 7.—Finkelstein, the burrower, of Ludlow street, was found trapped in his tunnel tonight like a rabbit in his warren. Workmen had been digging thirty-six hours to find the burrower.

## YESTERDAY'S RECOVERY IN COTTON SENSATIONAL

### Following Break Of The Week, Yesterday's Sharp Advance Stirred Stock Exchange—Market Closed Firm.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 7.—The recovery in the cotton market today became almost as excited and sensational as the break early in the week. Reports of very strong southern spot markets seemed to convince traders that the collapse in futures had been chiefly the result of speculative conditions, and claims that spinners were in the market on the decline tended to restore bullish confidence.

# HARBOR BRIDGE GETS BLACK EYE

## 125 of the City's Most Prominent and Representative Citizens Declare Against Scheme.

A resolution was introduced by Mr. W. H. Thorne against a plebiscite on the question was carried almost unanimously. Ald. Scully was present and spoke in favor of the bridge scheme, but the project found few supporters and the general committee of the Common Council will have the vote of 125 leading citizens to guide them when the matter comes up for consideration.

## BLACK DESPAIR GIVES PLACE TO REJOICING

### But One Boat Of Ill-Fated Haddock Fleet Still Unaccounted For—Thrilling Tale Of Sea In Story Of Survivor.

Special to The Standard.

Canso, N. S., Jan. 7.—Black despair which has hung like a cloud over the village of Dover, since Tuesday last was lifted today giving place to rejoicing and thanksgiving. The last missing boat, the Hazel Maud with her crew of three as brave men as ever risked their lives in the battle for their daily bread, and that of their loved ones, came limping up Dover bay at an early hour this morning and were assisted ashore by many willing hands.

## HAZEL MAUD SAFE AFTER AWFUL EXPERIENCE

Special to The Standard.

The story of their battle for life since they left their homes at daylight on Tuesday last, is heart-rending. Hazels and crew closely followed each other and every disappointment shattered their spirits as they saw on two occasions, once a steamer and again a schooner, come almost within hailing distance and they pass out of sight. Grim determination on the part of Capt. James Rhynold and young active man in the prime of life, alone saved the other two of his crew from utter despair.

## POLITICS AT WHITE HEAT IN BOSTON

### Any Voters Not Reached by Boston's Aspirants for Mayor Must Be Deaf, Blind or Out of Town.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 7.—The political thermometer in the municipal contest never white heat today with all other issues except that of personal honor thrown aside. All four of the candidates for mayor are speaking or trying to speak a dozen or more times a day and nearly all have gone as far as possible in hurling invective at each other.

## SIR ALFRED JONES LEFT \$2,500,000

London, Jan. 7.—The late Sir Alfred Lewis Jones, head of the shipping firm of Elder Dempster and Company, left the bulk of his fortune of nearly \$2,500,000 in trust for charitable objects and for original research in the cause of disease on the west coast of Africa. Sir Alfred died December 13.

## MRS. WALTER FRASER IS DEAD AT WILLIAMSTON

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 7.—Mrs. Walter Fraser, of Williamstown, this county, died at her home last night, aged 42 years. Rev. Father Bradley will officiate at a Requiem Mass to be held in the Williamstown Catholic church tomorrow morning, after which interment will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

## 2 TRAINMEN KILLED IN RAILWAY SMASH

Northeast, Pa., Jan. 7.—Two trainmen were killed and two others injured as the result of Lake Shore passenger train No. 25, the western express, crashing into a work train here today. All wires are down and information regarding the accident was delayed in transmission. None of the passengers were injured.