

Italy Declares War

A POWERFUL ITALIAN SQUADRON BEFORE TRIPOLI THE STATE OF WAR STARTS THIS AFTERNOON

Turkey's Reply to Italy's Ultimatum Was Conciliatory.

NOT ACCEPTABLE TO ITALIANS

Turkish Troops in City Anxious for Fight, and City Likely To Be Bombarded.

Rome, Sept. 29.—Italy has declared war on Turkey.

Rome, Sept. 29.—It is semi-officially announced here that Italy and Turkey are in a state of war, beginning at half past 2 o'clock on the afternoon of Friday, Sept. 29.

The reason is given that Turkey has failed to meet the demands contained in the Italian ultimatum.

Rome, Sept. 29.—The minister of marine is believed to have sent wireless orders to the Italian fleet off Tripoli to act immediately.

This action followed a meeting of the cabinet at 11 o'clock, at which it was decided to proceed with the measures previously determined upon.

[Canadian Press.]

Constantinople, Sept. 29.—The Turkish Government today sent a conciliatory reply to the Italian ultimatum demanding that no resistance be made to Italy's proposed occupation of Tripoli and Cyrene.

Diplomats resident here believe that the reply will be unavailing.

Tripoli Deserted.

Tripoli, Sept. 29.—This city, which is threatened with a hostile occupation, was deserted this morning. Nearly all of the Europeans left last night upon orders from the Italian consul, and today the streets were deserted except for squads of Turkish soldiers, who are enthusiastic over the situation.

The Arabs held mass meetings in all the mosques and taken solemn oaths, of unity and allegiance to the Turkish flag "to the last drop of blood."

The Turkish transport Derna has discharged 20,000 tons of ammunition stores, and an 18,000 Mauser rifles. These have been taken into the interior, 450 camels being used in moving the supplies.

Italy To Bombard.
Chiosso, Sept. 29.—It is reported that Admiral Aubrey has been instructed when the occupation is decided upon to demand the immediate surrender of Tripoli, and if this is refused or delayed, to give the population six hours within which to evacuate, at the expiration of which time he shall bombard the place until a landing is possible.

Malta, Sept. 29.—It is believed here that the Italians have landed at Tripoli.

Turkey After Greece.
London, Sept. 29.—A news dispatch from Vienna says that Turkey proposes to present an ultimatum to Greece, demanding that the latter withdraw all claim to Crete.

The Sultan's Reply.
Constantinople, Sept. 29.—The Turkish reply to the Italian ultimatum demanding assurances that there will be no resistance to the Italian military occupation of Tripoli and Cyrene, was communicated to the Italian charge, Signor Di Martino at 6:30 o'clock this morning.

The message was couched in friendly terms and expressed surprise at the action of Italy, in view of the cordial relations existing between the two countries. It pointed out that Italian interests in Tripoli had not been threatened and expressed the hope that Italy would desist from her contemplated measures. Assurance was given of Turkey's desire for a settlement of the matters pending between the two Governments. The reply also stated that Italian

Italy and Turkey on Land and Sea

ITALY.

NAVY—	
Battleships	15
Cruisers, first-class	10
Cruisers, second-class and third-class	16
Gunboats	13
Destroyers	33
Torpedo boats	75
Submarines	19
Officers and men	29,541
ARMY—	
Total war strength	525,000
Available, unorganized	1,200,000

TURKEY.

NAVY—	
Battleships	4
Cruisers	4
Gunboats	4
Torpedo boats	4
Officers and men	30,800
ARMY—	
Total war strength	725,000
Available, unorganized	2,000,000

subjects in Ottoman territory were exposed to no danger, as the authorities afforded them protection, and added that the Turkish military measures had been suspended during the period of the negotiations for a settlement of differences.

The reply was determined upon at a cabinet council which continued at the palace from late yesterday until early today.

Upon receiving the communication the Italian charge immediately telegraphed it to Rome. The impression in the diplomatic corps is that the note will not be satisfactory to Italy. The Turkish squadron has left Beirut and is returning to Constantinople. Every precaution has been taken to prevent disorder in the capital and throughout the province.

London, Sept. 29.—The news that Italy had occupied Tripoli was expected here. The foreign office presented a scene of great activity this afternoon as a result of the Turkish-Italian crisis. The secretary, Sir Edward Grey, returned from the country where he had been visiting, and had long and separate conferences with the Italian ambassador, Marquis Di Francavilla, and the Turkish ambassador, Tewfik Pasha. Later the Austro-Hungarian ambassador, Count Montsford-Pouilly-Bietrichstein called on the secretary.

It is understood that the Turkish cabinet at last night's meeting framed a second appeal to the powers to use their influence to prevent a war. The diplomats here are strong in the belief that no tender of good offices upon the part of other countries can avail to alter Italy's program.

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NEW RESIDENCE FOR THE JAILER

City and County Council Committees Will Discuss Question.

There will be a conference between the jail committee of the County Council and the finance committee of the City Council this afternoon to discuss the matter of a new residence for the jailer. The county have been going into the question for some time, and have come to the conclusion that a new residence is necessary. As the city is required to pay a considerable portion of the cost a conference was called and it will be thoroughly threshed out.

From present indications, the money will not be paid over this year for that work, for the simple reason that no provision was made for this expenditure in the estimates. A recommendation may probably be made that next year's council provide the money.

WORK COMMENCES ON A NEW MAIN

Water Commissioners Are Doing the Work Themselves.

Work has commenced on the laying of the 18-inch main on Central street to feed the water mains in the north-east section of the city. The commissioners some time ago decided to put the pipe down by day work. This is being done, the work being under the supervision of Foreman Hodgkinson. "We expect to save at least 50 cents a foot in laying this pipe by day labor," declared Chairman Pocock. "It may amount to considerably more than that."

SEAFORTH AGENT RESIGNS.
Seaforth, Sept. 29.—Mr. W. Somerville, who has been agent of the Canadian Express Company here for the past 22 years, has resigned, but he still continues the G. N. W. telegraph and Grand trunk ticket agency. Mr. Somerville has been a painstaking and faithful official for the express company.

INSTRUCTOR HOYLES IS CRITICALLY ILL

Grand Trunk Official Is Suffering From Typhoid Fever.

Mr. George Hoyles, of this city, instructor of firemen for the Grand Trunk, is very critically ill with typhoid fever at the present time, and his relatives here are very anxiously awaiting word regarding his condition. Mr. Hoyles was married in London on June 22, and shortly afterwards left with his bride on a honeymoon trip to England.

He had not been feeling well for some weeks before starting and a few days before the honeymoon trip. He became so ill that he had to be taken to his bed. By the time the steamer docked he had lapsed into an unconscious condition, and had to be carried off the boat in that state and hurried on a train to where his friends were.

The last letter that came brought the information that he was still unconscious and in a very critical condition, and his relatives here are now waiting for further news of him.

WHITNEY INVITED INTO NEW CABINET

Some Possibility of Becoming the Minister of Justice.

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—Premier Whitney, Hon. J. J. Foy and Hon. Frank Cochrane called on Mr. R. L. Borden this morning and discussed with him the question of cabinet appointments. It is understood that Mr. Borden would like to take both Mr. Foy and Mr. Cochrane into his Government, but Premier Whitney objects to both leaving him. Premier Whitney has declined as yet to become Mr. Borden's minister of justice. He has declared that it would be unfair to rob his cabinet of strong men on the eve of a provincial election. It is thought that Mr. Cochrane will come into the Borden Government. This will practically make it sure that Judge Doherty, of Montreal, will come in as the representative of the Irish Catholics, and that J. J. Donnelly, of South Bruce, will likely be brought in.

Mr. R. Forger arrived this morning and at once called upon Mr. Borden to urge the claims of Messrs. Pelletier and Casgrain to portfolios. It is practically certain that Senator Landry will be speaker of the Senate. The place is filled by Government appointment and will, therefore, go to a Conservative and to a French senator, as the speaker of the House will be English. Senator Landry should make an excellent speaker, as he knows more about the rules than any other two men in the Senate.

UNDERWRITERS MAY TEST WELLS NEXT WEEK

Mayor Is Now in Communication With the Insurance Men.

An effort will be made to have the underwriters come to London next week to make their test of the Horton street pumping plant. Mr. Angus will be in the city then, and Superintendent Angus will be of the opinion that it would be a good time for the underwriters to come and see the machinery in operation under such conditions as would be demanded by a severe pumping test.

Mayor Beattie has communicated with the underwriters and is anticipating an answer very shortly.

COUNTY PUPILS ARE BARRED FROM LONDON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

No. 1 Committee of the Board of Education Have Decided Upon Drastic Action Owing to Crowded Conditions in This City.

Pupils living in the county will not be admitted to the public schools of the city.

At a meeting of No. 1 committee of the Board of Education held last night it was decided not to admit county pupils, owing to the overcrowded condition of the schools, particularly in the districts where county pupils are anxious to come into the city.

There were a large number of petitions received, and in nearly every case the resident of the county was willing to pay for the education of his children.

It was pointed out that temporary arrangements were being made by No. 2 committee of the board to increase the accommodation of Aberdeen, Rectory Street, Chesley Avenue, Victoria and Empress Avenue Schools.

In all of these there was not enough room for city children to be properly taken care of. Until more rooms are

provided for the schools that at present exist, or new schools erected, it will be impossible for the board to accommodate any pupils from the suburbs of the city.

Five Teachers in County.

The notice from the city council to the effect that a large number of teachers employed by the city were living in the county, and as a result are escaping the payment of income tax, was taken up by the committee, and it was found that after the most careful investigation only five lady teachers were living in the county.

On the other hand, a considerable number of ladies living in the city were teaching in the county, and were paying income tax here.

The committee decided that as this was an equalized matter, it would be better to file the communication from the council. This has been done.

A number of accounts were passed, and other routine business transacted.

DECLARATION OF WAR CAUSES DROP IN INTERNATIONAL STOCKS

Mr. H. Campbell Becher Reports Fall in Important Securities as a Result of the Action of Italy.

The declaration of war between Italy and Turkey has had its effect on the local markets, and already a noticeable decline in international stocks has been recorded at Mr. Campbell Becher's office in London. A still further break is anticipated.

It is expected that wheat will rise in value within a short time, particularly if the war promises to be of any duration. Other foodstuffs will also probably show an increase.

"International stocks have already shown a decline," said Mr. Becher to the Advertiser. "They may show a still further decline. It is very probable that wheat will show a decided jump."

Consols Slump.

London, Sept. 29.—Money was in better supply today, but discount rates continued firm on the foreign gold demand.

Early reports from Tripoli de-

pressed the stock market, and all sections opened lower. Turkish bonds declined four points, and Italian securities a point, while consols also fell. Later Turkey's conciliatory reply to Italy created a better feeling, and in the afternoon Turkish bonds recovered two points, consols a quarter of a point, and the rest of the sections improved in sympathy.

American securities opened weak, and from quarter to 1-3-4 lower in sympathy with the other markets. A weak rally followed, but prices again receded under a general selling movement before the end of the first hour. Active buying followed the announcement of Turkey's reply, Union Pacific and United States Steel led the advance, and gained three points, mainly on Wall Street, bidding an professional covering. The closing was firm at the best prices of the day.

same thing happened. The third time I was the only member present. I am sick of this business. Ald. Richter, who forced this thing on us, has never put in an appearance. He has given this matter some consideration, he says, but he has not come to the meetings to show us. I resign as chairman and name him to succeed me.

No Use for Committee.

"Let the whole committee resign," suggested Ald. Saunders. "I have no objection to bringing before the committee, and I do not think any person else has, unless it be Ald. Richter. He is the only alderman that is in any way familiar with the proceedings of the committee. He took everything to Toronto with him, and left us nothing. It was his suggestion that lead to the appointment of the committee. We were placed here merely to carry out his ideas. I do not see why he cannot attend to it."

This special committee was formed early in the year to define the duties of the engineer and other officials employed in the board of works. Later its sphere was enlarged, and Ald. Richter suggested that the question of pavements be gone into thoroughly in order that a schedule of pavements suitable to certain sections of the city might be adopted.

A voluminous report on the subject, prepared by Mr. A. H. Van Cleave, former city engineer, was presented, but no action whatever has been taken. That is what Ald. Mitchell said.

Will Not Take Blame.

Ald. Richter, however, does not propose to take the blame for the fiscal year, and declared that no common sense had been shown whatever in the matter of calling meetings in conversation with the Advertiser he refused to take the blame.

"There has been little judgment shown in calling meetings," he stated to the Advertiser. "I was away in Toronto last night and did not get a notice to attend until I reached home. That has happened in all the instances when a quorum was not present. Meetings should not be called until it is seen that there is a probability that the members can all attend. Little judgment has been shown in that matter. Ald. Richter did not take kindly to the idea that the committee be dissolved. He hinted out that the committee had not done half their work. The question of the right kind of pavement for certain sections of the city had not been disposed of. He has not cured any of his disease. It is rather the matter of equal importance still unsettled."

"Even if I were not present, surely the committee can go ahead with their work," he continued. "There are aldermen besides the board of works on the committee, and a quorum can be secured any time they desire. It is rather peculiar that the men who wanted to dissolve the committee when it was first formed are so anxious to have it present now. It seems quite a change."

He expressed the hope that at the council meeting on Monday night an interesting session will be held. From present indications it will be a warm one. The meeting last night addressed immediately after it was covered with a heavy rain. Ald. Richter would not be present. In addition to the members of the board of works Ald. Asplund was present.

EXPRESS OFFICE AT HAMILTON ROBBED OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND

Clerk in Canadian Express Company's Office Is Placed Under Arrest, Says He Was Attacked and Bound by Masked Band During Last Night.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Hamilton, Sept. 29.—During the night the head office of the Canadian Express Company here in the Canada Life Building was robbed of several thousands of dollars. The company officials and detectives are maintaining the greatest reticence concerning the theft, but sensational developments are promised.

At 6 o'clock this morning one of the drivers, who calls there for packages for one of the early morning trains, found the side door, which is usually open, locked. Thinking the man inside had gone to sleep, he pounded vigorously, but got no reply. Then he telephoned the manager.

"You had better rap again. The clerk has probably fallen asleep," said the manager.

"No, there is something wrong. I have made enough noise to wake the dead," said the driver.

Clerk Bound.
Then the manager came down, and together they found the clerk with his hands and feet tied, lying on three coats. He was calling to be released

until he got the police. Detective Cameron was sent to the office, and after getting the clerk's story, detained him at the express office. Inspector of Detectives Campbell, the manager, and other heads of the express company, were closeted there with the clerk all morning.

They refused to make any statement or to give the name of the clerk. The man when found was not gagged. He said that about 3 o'clock this morning, masked robbers entered the building, held him up at the point of a revolver, and then tied and bound him, making a clean get-away with the money.

A package of \$15,000 was received last night at the office. Between \$8,000 and \$10,000 is said to be missing. One package of \$1,000, which was within easy reach, was not touched.

LATER.
Hamilton, Sept. 29.—The police later arrested George H. Kennett, the clerk, who came here two months ago from the company's Dundas office. The police believe that more than one man was concerned in the affair, and they are looking for accomplices.

Remember The Advertiser's "Who's Who" Contest Appears Monday

\$25.00 IN CASH PRIZES ARE OFFERED

As announced in last evening's Advertiser there will be published on Monday a handsome supplement that will afford more genuine entertainment to readers than anything that has been produced in a long time. The cash prizes of \$25.00 will make a strong appeal.

While you may feel that London's businessmen are pretty well known, a surprise is in store. The front page of the supplement will present the photographs of representative retailers without any names, and you are invited to figure out who they are, what their business is, and where it is located. In addition, another unique condition is attached. On the back page of the supplement advertisements are printed, each of which contains some particular feature or outstanding point. You are asked to decide what this feature is.

Participating in the contest will not only afford you much pleasure, but will be educative as well. It will bring you into closer touch with the men you are doing business with every day, and at the same time give you some insight into advertising, that greatest of modern day business builders. Let every reader make up his or her mind to become a contestant.

RUMOR THAT LONDONER WAS KILLED IN DULUTH

Unconfirmed Report Tells of the Death of Mr. Frank Gruber.

A report reached this city this morning to the effect that Mr. Frank Gruber, formerly a well-known maker, and member of the Orient Club here, had been killed in Duluth, Minn. The Advertiser wired Duluth, but up until the time of going to press no confirmation was received.

Mr. Gruber was well-known here from his musical talent, and frequently assisted as piano accompanist at different entertainments. While here he married Miss Lizzie Kew, a London lady.

STREET RAILWAY MAKES READY FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Census Figures Will Mean Big Addition to Mileage.

The announcement that the London Street Railway Company will increase their capital stock is received with considerable interest in civic circles.

It is taken for granted that this means the company will build an extension to their system next year.

The census has been taken, and when it is announced, the company anticipate that it will mean the addition of about four miles of trackage to their present mileage.

According to the agreement between the city and the company, London is entitled to one mile of track for every 2,000 population over a certain figure. When the Ottawa line was constructed, the population for street railway purposes was fixed at 38,000. Since that time, the Ridout street line was built. It is about one mile and a quarter in length. If the city now has 42,000 people, it would be entitled to 1 1/4 miles of track. However, Ridout street must be deducted, leaving at least 4 miles more for the city. That is the amount, it is understood that the company is figuring on, and Continued on Page Eleven.

AMATEUR ATHLETES TRAINING FAITHFULLY

Runners May Be Seen Coursing Through Streets at Nights.

If, when you are on your way home late at night, a pale shadowy form glides by you in the darkness and fades away silently before you can really see what it is, don't frighten yourself out of a week's growth by imagining that there may after all be some truth in ghost stories, for it is only some of the boys from one or other local colleges training for the field days that will be held in the next couple of weeks.

Judging by the number of youths who are to be seen out running long distances late at night there is going to be some keen competition for the prizes that are offered.

The runners, however, haven't the field all to themselves, for on many a back yard there is a string stretched across over which youths jump regularly every time they get a chance and try to raise it a little higher every day in order that they may, if possible, win the high jump. Others are going in for broad jumping, pole vaulting, putting the shot and numbers of the other events that will come off soon. Local merchants and citizens interested in encouraging sports have, it is stated, contributed a fine lot of prizes this season that will be well worth trying for.

HON. J. J. FOY GOES TO HIGH COURT BENCH

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—It is practically certain that Hon. J. J. Foy will be appointed to the Ontario high court bench in succession to the late Justice MacMahon.

OCTOBER THIRTIETH THANKSGIVING DAY

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—The Government has named Monday, Oct. 30, as Thanksgiving Day.