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There is the very time of year that a lot of things ought to be settled...

Next take annexation: people are fed up with double fares, lack of water supply...

Where are the mayor and controllers? Where are the newspapers? Where is the board of trade?

HE COULD NO LONGER BEAR TO SEE LITTLE CHILDREN TREATED LIKE WILD BEASTS

John A. Campbell, a Former Guard at the Mimico Industrial School, Makes an Affidavit Regarding Cases of Ill-Treatment--Government Appoints Dr. Bruce Smith to Conduct an Investigation Under Oath.

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Mr. Hanna Orders Investigation.

Hon. W. J. Hanna acted quickly in regard to the charges of cruelty to the children confined in the Mimico Industrial School.

Spain, the boy referred to in an article in The Sunday World of Feb. 23, 1912, he was in his bed in the basement of Cottage No. 6...

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GOOD ROADS LEGISLATION WAS HIGHLY COMMENDED

Four Million Dollars Could Be Spent This Year According to Speakers at Big Convention--A Fair Division of County Roads Cost Would Be One-Half to Dominion, One-Quarter to Province and Remainder to County Benefited.

Mayor Geary found the county municipal hall filled by delegates to the Good Roads Convention when he arrived yesterday afternoon to extend for a third time a civic welcome.

Major Kennedy of Dixie, president of the association, called the convention to order at 11.15 for the forenoon session.

It is easily seen, and has been by a great many governments, that the rural population is not able to build the permanent roadways.

At two o'clock the president gave his annual address. He expressed gratification that the federal and provincial governments had recognized that the

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COAL CRISIS ACUTE

Miners Will Confer With Asquith Cabinet To-Day, and Unless Present Deadlock is Broken, Big Strike Will Be in Effect on Thursday--Minimum Wage the Crux.

LONDON, Feb. 26.--(Can. Press).--On the eve of the resumption of the conference between Premier Asquith and other cabinet ministers and the miners' representatives...

It was announced to-night, however, that the executive of the miners' federation had decided to recommend to the conference the acceptance of the premier's invitation to meet him and his colleagues and discuss the situation.

The conference to-day lasted two hours, but, according to the rule, which has been rigidly observed, with respect to all previous meetings, the official report given out contained not the slightest hint as to what transpired.

A few thousand miners employed in the Derbyshire district ceased work at noon. To-morrow several thousand more notices expire, and it is not likely that the miners will consent to work until Thursday night, the date fixed for the general strike.

A hopeful feature of the crisis is the absence of inclination to violence on the part of the leaders of the men. No objections have been raised to the employers securing the necessary labor to keep the pits open during the strike.

Minium Wage or Strike. Unless the owners agree to concede a minimum wage, on which the miners of all sections are inflexible, a national strike would seem inevitable, but there is undoubtedly an optimistic feeling abroad that the government practically has succeeded in persuading the owners to yield for a few months at least.

Look for Settlement. The Liberal morning papers anticipate a speedy settlement and an avoidance of a coal strike.

USED PITCHFORK ON OFFICER

Husband and Wife Pay Penalty for Defending Home.

BELLEVILLE, Feb. 26.--(Special).--John Mack was this afternoon found guilty of interfering and assaulting a bailiff in the discharge of his duties.

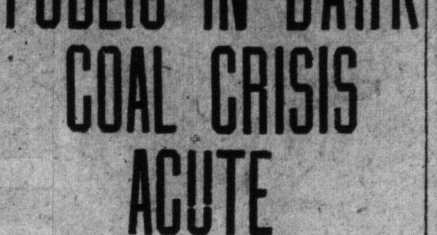
Mrs. Mack, who assisted her husband, was also convicted. The man was sent to the Central Prison for six months and Mrs. Mack to jail for four months.

TRAIN KILLED YOUNG ENGINEER

WELLAND, Feb. 26.--C. A. Nodmarc, an engineer engaged erecting the new waterworks system at Welland by the Canadian Bovine Co., Toronto, was instantly killed by a Michigan Central train early this morning, near the depot here.

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THAT GRAHAM BISCUIT HAND-OUT



WEARY WILFRID: It's a poor heart that never rejoices.

TOO RADICAL HERE EVEN FOR TEDDY

Freedom of Ontario Legislature Beyond His Aims, He Says.

BOSTON, Feb. 26.--(Can. Press).--Standing in the assembly chamber of the Massachusetts capital to-day, Theodore Roosevelt explained and emphasized his project for the recall of judicial decisions.

Col. Roosevelt's visit to the state house was unexpected. After appearing in the house, he went to the senate chamber and spoke briefly.

Another Storm Visits Toronto

Second Blizzard in Few Days Tied Up Traffic and Caused Much Inconvenience.

The people of Toronto and many other places in Ontario in their struggles against the blizzard of yesterday are wondering if it is a return of last week's tornado.

Locally the storm caused much discomfort on the streets and interfered greatly with the railway traffic.

The blizzard from the southwestern part of the States had its origin in the same place as the storm of last week. The first disturbance was noticed in Utah and gradually gained force and spread to Texas and thence to Oklahoma, where ten lives are reported lost and twenty-five persons injured.

Southern Ontario, extending from Lake Michigan to Quebec, is under the sway of the storm which is prophesied to last until to-day, turning into sleet and rain in many localities and passing off the upper lakes.

In the west the weather is extremely cold, being 18 below at Winnipeg, Alberta and Saskatchewan are only moderately cold as also are the Maritime Provinces.

Kingston Again Blockaded. KINGSTON, Feb. 26.--(Special).--The Bay of Quinte trains are running to-day for the first time since last Wednesday on account of the big storm.

UNIONISTS GAIN IN GLASGOW

RT. HON. T. MCKINNON WOOD'S MAJORITY IS GREATLY REDUCED.

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MORE PROTECTION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Feb. 26.--The government commission on trades and industries has submitted its report, in which it recommends adequate, but not prohibitive, protection for agriculture and industries.

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