

ASQUITH HAS CLEARED THE DECK FOR THE BIG BILLS IN AUTUMN

Great Liberal Whip Before Retiring Leaves Everything in Shape for Smooth Passage of Measure—Conservatives See Defeat of Home Rule in Manchester Election.

[Special Cable to The Advertiser by T. P. O'Connor, M.P.]

London, Aug. 10.—With a wild whoop, the Unionist papers proclaimed a big victory in the Manchester election. They shout that this is the beginning of the end, demand that the Unionist opposition force dissolution of Parliament and declare the home rule bill is dead.

This exultation is rather overdone, as the seat has been nearly always Conservative, and was only won in recent years by Winston Churchill's commanding personality and the dread of all the cotton lords, Liberal or Conservative, of their industry being ruined by protection.

The Conservative candidate was so conscious that the protection idea was an impossible barrier to victory that he denied protection as an issue, and the Conservative free traders who supported him, begged him to say as little as possible on the subject.

ANTICIPATED BY LIBERALS.

The defeat of the Liberals was anticipated from the beginning for several reasons. The first one was that the cotton lords resent Lloyd George's heavy taxation on the capitalists and the landlords, and secondly, the insurance act still is unpopular, especially among the small employers of labor, and with certain sections of the workmen who object to the compulsory thrift, and who have been stuffed with gigantic lies by the Conservative speakers.

It is thought possible that Manchester will return to its allegiance to free trade at the general election. Anyhow the Liberals take the defeat quite calmly.

RESULT AT HANLEY.

The other elections reveal no steady current against the Government. Hanley was won in spite of a three-cornered fight by a splendid majority, and though Creve was lost by a triangular fight, the votes for the Liberal and Labor candidates, professing identical the same principles, were a majority, and the Conservative member represents a minority constituency.

There is no relaxation whatever in the determination of the Government to push forward the home rule bill to final success. The Liberals are really more distressed over the resignation of the Master of Elibank than the Manchester defeat, his winning personality, tact, energy and shrewdness being invaluable to his party. His resignation was entirely due to the necessity of providing for the members of his family who have no fortune except a somewhat small and embarrassed estate. The tempting offer of a big salary from the great contracting firm of Pearson's could not be allowed to pass by, but the Master of Elibank did not retire until he had made the way smooth for the remaining stages of the home rule bill, and helped the Government over the last few weeks.

DECKS CLEARED.

He got all the finance and all the small measures finally disposed of before the end of this session, and thus the progress of the home rule bill cannot be interrupted in the autumn sittings. One of the last acts of the great whip was to fix the timetable and the other terms of the drastic closure. These will be proposed within a few days of the meeting of Parliament, and it is anticipated that the Conservatives will make a tremendous scene of stage-managed disorder when these proposals are made.

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GRAND TRUNK SHIPS BRIDES BUT WON'T DO COURTING

Big System Will Not Act as National Cupid for the Dominion.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Aug. 10.—Grand Trunk officials today denied that the activities of A. E. Duff, the company's passenger agent in Toronto, in shipping prospective brides to Western Canada, meant that the company intended to blossom out as the national cupid of the Dominion.

"We have quite enough troubles on our hands," said one official, "without gratuitously hampering ourselves with a lot of matrimonial engagements."

"We are not going to promise to provide any girl with a husband," said the Grand Trunk officials above referred to. "All we do is to give these parties of girls cheap rates and careful supervision for the journey west. When they get there they can enter domestic service, and there is little doubt that most of them will soon draw a prize in the matrimonial market. But they must do their own courting—the Grand Trunk is no cupid, believe me."

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LONDON TO HAVE NEW HOTEL WHERE LIQUOR WON'T BE SOLD

Mr. Harry Ryan Purchases a Store on Richmond St. for the Purpose.

London is to have a new licenseless hotel, equipped on modern lines, if a rumor is true in connection with the transfer of an important piece of property on Richmond street.

Mr. Harry Ryan, tobacconist, of 340 Richmond street, has purchased, through the Western Canada Realty Company from Mr. George Rowntree, the three-story building next to the Grigg House.

The consideration cannot be learned, but it is said that a figure was obtained that shows London real estate to be on the upward trend. It is said that Mr. Ryan will practically rebuild the structure so as to accommodate the travelling public, and will give London something new in hotels.

No liquor will be sold. Among them the dairyman will have to answer as to the number of acres in his farm, the nature of the crops grown and the quantity, the number of dairy cattle, their breeding, the amount of milk produced from each cow, if possible, the method of feeding, the care of the cattle, stabling facilities, how the milk is cared for, and other questions of a similar nature. The answers will provide the department with the best kind of information.

Three Townships. This year the department is obtaining information from three townships, of which North Dorchester is one, said Mr. I. B. White, of The Advertiser. "The expert will arrive on Monday, and he will visit every farm in North Dorchester, and get every possible form of information regarding the dairy industry. This will be tabulated, and used in discussions at the institute meeting this winter. It will place the department in a position to give definite information on the best breeds of cattle for the dairyman, and the best methods of feeding. I think the census will be productive of much good."

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Anxious for a Change. Mrs. Beck is also anxious for the change, rumor says. The business of the hydro-electric commission keeps Mr. Beck out of the city at least four days a week, and often more than that. He travels a great deal, and is home very seldom. If his headquarters are in Toronto, he could be home practically all the time, and would be in a position to do better work.

Mr. Beck will purchase a country home, probably in the vicinity of Oakville, the story goes on to say. A stock farm would be run in connection with the home, and the member for London could develop his hobby for horses as he saw fit.

If the new commission is formed Mr. Beck will resign as member for London. A by-election would be necessary to fill the vacancy.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL. Toronto, Aug. 10.—Mrs. Foster, of Hamilton, who was arrested on a charge of shop-lifting at Eaton's yesterday, was this morning committed for trial at the police court. She was allowed out on \$4000 bail.

BLOWING HIMSELF UP



SETTING THE BALLOON READY AT CHICAGO FOR THE GREAT NOVEMBER CUP RACES.

THREE ALDERMEN HAVE CONFESSED

Detroit City Fathers, Under Arrest, Tell All to Prosecuting Attorney.

MORE ARRESTS LIKELY

Sensational Developments Promised in Aldermanic Graft Scandal at City of the Straits.

[Canadian Press.] Detroit, Aug. 10.—It was admitted today that Prosecuting Attorney Hugh Shepperd has in his possession the confessions of three of the eighteen city officials now under arrest in connection with recent developments in the local aldermanic graft scandal. Two of the confessions are said to have been made by aldermen, and the third is accredited to Edward Schreiter, secretary of common council committees, and also national secretary of the American League of Municipalities.

Schreiter was not included in the sixteen arrests made yesterday, but he was arrested a few weeks ago on evidence obtained by Detective William J. Burns, charging him with conspiracy to secure bribe money for city officials in granting the Wabash Railroad certain street property. Schreiter's confession is said to have been in detail and the most comprehensive of the three. He has been acting in a confidential capacity with the common council for fifteen years, and it is alleged that his statement covers aldermanic history for several years, and takes up 52 typewritten pages.

Prosecutor Shepperd said today that more arrests are likely to be made today. He said that he has uncovered matters of such importance within the last few days that he has sent for Detective Burns to appear here personally for a conference. He said that operations have been in the city ever since the investigation was begun several months ago.

ISAAC FORD BURIED. London, Aug. 10.—The funeral service for the late Isaac N. Ford, formerly correspondent of the New York Tribune in London, who died on Aug. 7, was held today at St. Barnabas' Church, Kensington. A large gathering of journalists and representatives of the publishing world were present. The body was afterwards cremated at Golders Green Cemetery.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SHOWERS.

Forecast. Toronto, Aug. 10-5 a.m. South and southwest winds; occasional showers, but for the most part fair and moderately warm today and on Sunday.

Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	77.5	55	Unsettled
Victoria	58	58	Cloudy
Calgary	80	54	Fair
Winnipeg	78	50	Clear
Port Arthur	78	62	Cloudy
Perry Sound	76	66	Cloudy
Toronto	76	66	Cloudy
Ottawa	74	66	Rain
Montreal	74	64	Rain
Quebec	62	60	Rain
Falher Point	60	56	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

The area of high pressure over the Maritime Provinces appears to be moving eastward, but the low area over the Great Lakes has remained almost stationary since yesterday.

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IS HON. ADAM BECK TO LEAVE LONDON AND GO TO TORONTO?

Rumor Says He Is About to Sell His Residence Here—Proposed Extension of Box Factory Will Not Be Gone On With—Lives More in the Queen City Than in London Now.



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MAYOR DENIES HE WAS BEHIND REMOVAL OF INSPECTOR RYMILL

Declares He Did Not Know Change Had Been Made Until He Read It in the Papers—Labor Men Will Carry the Case Further.



Ald. Rose.

The removal of Inspector Rymill from his position on the Dundas and Richmond streets walks, continues to excite criticism, and will probably furnish the theme for a strenuous discussion at the meeting of the city council to be held next Wednesday afternoon. At this session, the report of the special committee named to go into the matter will be read, and Ald. Rose and Ald. Bennett will offer objections to it. They will insist that the council go into the matter thoroughly, to discover why Mr. Rymill was dismissed.

Another turn has been given the difficulty by the circulation of reports to the effect that Mayor Graham had Mr. Rymill dismissed, and that City Engineer Wright fathered the scheme in order to protect his worship. Both denied the story emphatically today, declaring that there was absolutely no word of truth in it.

The Mayor Disclaims.

"The removal of Inspector Rymill cannot be laid at my doors," said Mayor Graham. "I have not the power

to do so, nor did I try to usurp such power. I knew nothing whatever of the change until I saw the story in the paper shortly before the council meeting, when this matter was first brought up. Mr. Wright had reported to me a few days previously that he had had trouble with Rymill, owing to the latter's differences with Antheist's men, and I advised against Rymill's removal. However, Mr. Wright did make the change, without my knowledge. I got Mr. Wright's explanation, and I accepted it as perfectly legitimate and proper. My only criticism was that he should have had Rymill come to his office and explain to him the reasons for the change. That would have been better. I know the story is being circulated that I am responsible. I am not worrying about the tale, because it is not true. Interested parties are telling it for a certain purpose, with which I am perfectly conversant."

Accepts Responsibility.

"I am wholly responsible for the change," said City Engineer Wright. "I removed Mr. Rymill for reasons which appeared to me then, and still appear to me, to be right and proper. I am responsible for the department, and I took what action I deemed best. I am not afraid to have the question investigated, and feel perfectly confident that I will be cleared of all blame in the matter."

However, these explanations do not satisfy the Trades and Labor Council, and they are going to insist on an investigation. It is understood that a number of them will be at the meeting of the council to air their views next week.

COL. HODGINS THANKS Y.M.C.A.

Mr. E. R. Wilson, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., received a letter from Col. Hodgins, in which the latter expresses his thanks for the able assistance which the Y. M. C. A. rendered the officers in the cadet camp two weeks ago. The "Y." always is a willing worker when it comes to military meets or camps, and on the recent occasion, officers, cadets and visitors had nothing but good things to say about the institution. The following is the letter from Col. Hodgins:

31st July, 1912.
Dear Mr. Wilson,—Now that the Cadet Camp is over, I wish to thank you very much indeed for all the help and assistance which you very kindly gave me. The presence of the Y. M. C. A. in camp did a great deal for its success, and the facilities which it offered to the boys were very much appreciated. I do not know what I should have done but for the Y. M. C. A.

The evening entertainments, with the addresses given to the boys, were excellent, and they served to keep the boys in camp, and therefore under control, and the influence was good. I desire also to thank the quartette of singers who so very kindly volunteered their services, and gave us a very pleasant evening.

Believe me, dear Mr. Wilson, yours very truly,
W. E. HODGINS, Camp Commandant.
E. R. Wilson,
General Secretary Y. M. C. A.,
London, Ontario.

ALLEGED THAT LITTLE GIRL WAS HORRIBLY NEGLECTED

Inquest Ordered as Nine-Year-Old Child Is Alleged to Have Died From Starvation and Without Medical Attention at Mandaumin.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Aug. 10.—A funeral, which was being held at the home of a farmer named Parks, a mile out of Mandaumin, was rudely interrupted this afternoon, when the police, acting under instructions from the crown attorney and coroner, seized the body and are holding it pending an inquest at 8 o'clock this evening.

From information in the hands of the crown attorney it is alleged that the little girl, who was 9 years old, died from terrible neglect. She is alleged to have died from starvation, and also without having had any medical attendance.

HIGH PRICE OF GASOLINE CAUSES LESS MOTOR RIDING

Twenty-Five Cents a Gallon Frightens People Who Have the Craze.

Because of the high price to which gasoline has been raised, the operation of motor cars by private owners is being seriously affected. A year ago gasoline could be purchased for 14½ to 16 cents a gallon, while the ruling price at the garages was 18 cents. Despite the fact that the weather was very much against heavy driving this season, and comparatively small mileages were run up by the majority of owners, the different refining companies claimed that they were unable to meet the demand, and promptly raised the price until 20 and 22 cents were quoted. Now 25 cents a gallon, a new record, has been reached, and 30 cents is promised.

A Big Profit. Some owners, who made contracts with the wholesale oil companies early in the season, are paying 15 cents a gallon, while it is said to be a fact that some garages that are serving their customers at 25 cents a gallon, are buying under contracts made last winter at 12½ cents, thus reaping the tremendous profit of 100 per cent.

Many car owners are refusing to submit to the "hold-up" prices, and are merely riding less to make their monthly bills accord with those of other seasons.

Never since automobiles came into general use has the weather been so much against motoring, and while there are very many more cars this season, it is doubtful if the amount of

gasoline consumed was increased sufficient to warrant such an abnormal increase in price. Owners who in other seasons had driven 4,000 to 5,000 miles by Aug. 1, have now about half that amount on their speedometers, because of continued wet and cold weather, and consequent bad roads.

A Golden Tank. The difference in the cost of operating a car may be seen when it is shown that the filling of a gasoline tank is no longer a small matter.

For instance, Superintendent Glau-bitz's roadster carries a 30-gallon tank, and when this is filled \$7.50 is shoved across the board. The mileages of cars vary according to the horsepower, from 8 to the gallon to 20 or 22.

ASST.-SECRETARY NAMED

Y. M. C. A. Appointed H. A. McKerracher, of Galt.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A., the application of Mr. H. A. McKerracher, of Galt, was accepted for the position of assistant secretary. Mr. McKerracher is now taking the military training course at Camp Couchiching, where Mr. A. T. Taylor, the physical director, is taking the same course.

WAS BADLY BURNED.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Aug. 10.—The night watchman at the Sarnia Canning Factory was badly burned when he went to light one of the furnaces, gas which had accumulated exploded with such terrific force that he was blown across the room. His hands were terribly burned.