LABOR NOT FAIR, SAYS LIQUIDATOR

Shipbuilding Company Cannot Afford Inflated Wages, He Declares.

Osler Wade, liquidator for the Do the following statement yesterday:
"The Dominion government has taken an magnaninous position in accepting a tender providing for the completion of the government ships at the yards of the Dominion Shipbuilding and Repair Co., Limited, in the hope of helping out the unemployed situation in Toronto, for the reason that efficiency on shipyard work in the winter months is very low. Notwithstanding this, misrepresentations, demands and threats have been ving statement yesterday: tions, demands and threats have be made, which, it seems reasonable to assume, will be taken advantage of down any further requests to improve the labor situation in Toronto. The company records define that labor as-sisted in the wrecking of the Dominited. This was pointed out to the labor interests' leaders some months to the conference of several days' be-fore the minister of labor at Ottawaabout two or more years ago, and I further refer to the failure of the two

fusal on the part of the public to purchae at inflated values. When orders are not available, factories close down and men are thrown out of work. down and men are thrown out of work. With these facts to consider, it is difficult to understand how labor can justify a demand for wages equal to the peak paid at the time of infiation. This method of negotiations does not usually get very far. Naturally, when a few hundred men are wanted, somebody is going to be disappointed, when a few thousand are looking for work. The mistake that has been made, is the failure of labor leaders to face the facts and explain same to the individual man.

Report to Creditors.

In a report to the creditors, Mr. Wade says in part:

The arrangement made between the liquidator and the government will be particularly advantageous to both parties, as a considerable quantity of supplies on hand were ordered for the purposes of the government hulls, and this will be turned over by the liquidator and realized upon for the estate at the present market values. As far as this particular portion of the assets are concerned, this will overcome some of the customary shrinkage in liquidation. The government has also arranged to assume such of the sub-contracts for these hulls. Nos. 10 and 11, as are found, upon investigation, to be in order, and thereby relieve the estate from the responsibility of such claims. There is a further factor in that the unusual number of unemployed workmen at the present time, like in other commodities, brought about a reduction in wages. This will be reflected in a reduction of the claim for damages to be filed against the estate on the completion of the ships.

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LOOK FOR ABOLITION OF THE LUXURY TAX

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—It is believed here that the luxury tax will be abolished before long, but until the next budget speech is delivered, there can be no official assurances to this end. The opinion expressed is that the tax, which was designed to promote economy as well as to bring in revenue, but that, now that the need for a corrective of the wave of public extravagance has ceased, the tax which has worked hardship to many business interests, can safely be dropped.

CANADA'S SHIPS COMPETE WITH U. S. FREIGHTERS

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Despite the world slump in ocean freights, the Canadian government merchant marine continues to keep about 50 freighters at sea. Latest reports indicate that the C.G.M.M. is now cutting successfully into the American carrying trade. The Canadian Conqueror has secured an American cargo at New York under the nose of the United States Shipping Board, which has over 80 vessels lying idle in American ports. The Canadian Trooper will take a cargo of coal from Baltimore to Antofagasta, Chile, and return with nitre to another American port.

CANNOT PAY CASH; MUST HAVE CREDIT

German Delegate to Reparations Conference Promises a Definite Plan.

Brussels, Dec. 17.—Sigmund Bergmann, one of the German delegates to the second financial conference here to consider German reparations, promised the allied representatives during the forenoon session today that the Germans would soon give details of their plan to pay the reparations due from Germany. This plan, he said, would in general be similar to the indeas offered at the Spa conference, but which the Spa meeting did not discuss.

In the case of dispute between a mandatory and another member of the provisions of the mandates the dispute shall be submitted to the international court of justice, provided it cannot be settled by direct negotiations.

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Labor and Materials.

If this is not faced in an effort to build up an industry that has been broken, then it is plain there will be no necessity for a shipbuilders union in this city. The particulars of costs disclosed by this company's records on hills laid down to July 31, 1920, are interesting:

to the allies. Reasonable setIsfaction with Herr Bergmann's address was expressed by the allies. In it, he distinguished between cash payments and deliveries of goods, and explained the difficulties in the way of making large payments unless, as he put it, "Germany was aided by credit operations on a large scale."

Cannot Pay Cash.

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The French representatives at Brussels have been given clear and concise instructions. France is not desirous of compelling Germany to be a large assortiment of stoles instructions. France is not desirous of compelling Germany to be a large assortiment of stoles as the debt is paid.

"Weathington, Dec. 17.—Pennier Leygues, replying today to an interpellation in the chamber of deputies concerning disarmament and reparations, said:

Three persons were arrested for the United States on January 1, this year, as enumerated in the fourteenth cansus, was 105,708,771, as announced today by the census bureau for certification to congress as the basis for reapportionment of the members of two had a large assortiment of stolent when made the arrest, stated that the peace treaty within reasonable limits. Whether Germany's debt is paid in gold or goods matters not, so long as the debt is paid.

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Walther Tatt, 16 North Markham str. 17. Population of the United States of the United States on the found of the United States.

BRITISH PAYING LESS FOR BUTTER FROM CANADA ASK INVESTIGATION

Montreal, Dec. 17.—James Alexander, Limited, buyers of dairy produce for the British commission, announce the receipt of a cable from the min-lster of food. London, to the effect creamery butter bought by the com-mission would be reduced to 47 cents as compared with 49 cents a pound now being paid. The price is for No.

Congress Asked to Establish Irish Diplomatic Service

Washington, Dec. 17 .- A resolution, under which congress would pledge shop propaganda. itself to make an appropriation for the establishment and maintenance of a TORONTO NII diplomatic and consular service in Ire-land, was introduced today by Repre-

HAMILTON

MILL CLOSES IN WEST.

Victoria, B.C. Dec. 17.—One of the Cameron Lumber Company's mills here has been closed and the other mills will be shut down in a few days, throwing out of employment 300 men. Lumbermen say the action is made necessary by the serious condition of the lumber market, that present market prices are lower than the cost of manufacturer.

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LEAGUE COUNCIL **AWARDS MANDATES**

Rules Laid Down for Mandatories to Administer the Territories.

Geneva, Dec. 17.—The council of the League of Nations this afternoon offidates for the former German col

submitted for approval by New Zea-land, Australia, Britain, the Union of South Africa and Japan.

The island of Samoa was officially allotted to New Zealand. New Guinea and other islands south of the equator were allotted to Australia, and Nauru, or Pleasant Island, in the Pacific, a short distance south of the equator and just within the old German sphere of influence, to Britain. German southwest Africa was allotted to the Union of South Africa, and the Pacific islands north of the equator were given to Japan.

The council defined the terms of these mandates and laid down rules

but which the Spa meeting and not discuss.

Herr Bergmann added that payment in merchandise or labor was the most promising plan.

The allied experts then gave the Germans the questionnaire that had been prepared, comprising a half dozen typewritten sheets, asking specific questions on economic, financial and foreign trade matters.

This afternoon's session of conference without the presence of the Germans, was planned to be an interabiled meeting for discussion of methods as to how to direct the German propositions into some plan acceptable to the allies. Reasonable stisfaction with Herr Bergmann's address was served under the administration and legislation over territories, subject to certain conditions. They must see to it that the slave trade is prohibited, and that no forced labor is permitted.

Brig.-General Sir Richard C. B. Hakby direct negotiations.
Under the provisions of the man

is permitted,
Brig.-General Sir Richard C. B. Haking, who has served under the administration of Sir Reginald Tower at Danzig,
today was appointed permanent high
commissioner at Danzig by the League
of Nations Council.

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OF TEXTILE INDUSTRY

New York, Dec. 17.-A congressional for the British commission, announce the receipt of a cable from the minister of food. London, to the effect that the fixed prices on Canadian creamery butter bought by the commission would be reduced to 47 cents action of manufacturers in announcing

wage cuts, effective this month.

The resolution which requested that special attention be given the action of the manufacturers, urged members of the union not to strike at this ime, because a strike would be "very satisfactory to the employers and would greatly assist them in the establishment of their so-called open

* TORONTO NURSE WINS MONTREAL GOLD MEDAL

Montreal, Bec. 17 .- At the nurses

ANOTHER BIG OVERCOAT

EVERY COAT IN THE STORE REDUCED

A great chance for men to buy an overcoat much under manufacturer's cost.

The choice in cloths is not confined to a few patterns, but is varied in weights from the most famous makers.

The tremendous price reductions will invite buyers from all over

HAT SALE

Special Prices on all Men's Hats in stock. Reduced for quick selling today.

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\$7.00 London, England)—Regular price for soft and stiff hats, \$11.00 and \$7.00

BORSALINO HATS -Made in Italy. Regular price \$13.20. Re-

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rrested for yesterday. year, as enumerated in the fourteenth year, as enumerated in the fourteenth lowed them to the police station and

Down the front of the woman's 117,238; Philippine Islands, 10,350,640.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC TEST OF PT. ARTHUR CURRENT

Port Arthur, Dec. 17 .- The first oficial test of the new power trans-nission lines of the Hydro-Electric was carried out today with great success. Power was used from the Port Arthur current river station, cenerating approximately 66,000 lts, and transmitted over the lines to Caand transmitted over the lines to Cameron Falls, a distance of 75 miles.

D. A. McKenzie, of the operating department of the Hydro-Electric at Toronto, superintended the tests. Power will be turned on from Cameron Falls from the first unit of development on December 20, Port Arthur is the first power subscriber. Arthur is the first power subscriber from the new propect taking 10,000

B. C. GOVERNMENT SEEKS

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 17.—In an interview here today, Hon. J. W. Deb Ferris, attorney-general, outlining the fundamentals of the proposed British Columbia moderation act, stated that under it liquor would be sold under the permit system, and that the whole problem would be handled by a commission of three persons with the proposed British North America Act. As a way out he favored the three collegiate plans suggested for the city, one of these to be taken over by the Roman Catholics of the city. Montreal, Dec. 17.—At the nurses graduating exercises tonight at the Western Hospital. Miss Elizabeth Grace Hamilton of Toronto, was the gold medallist, while Miss Dorothy Brain, of Newfoundland, won the special prize for surgery work.

Other graduates were: Miss Hanna Chisholm, of Alexandria, Ontario, and Miss Myrtle McWhinnie, Martintown, Ontario. the sole right to bring in liquor, and an amendment to the ederal regula-tions to that end would be sought.

Cork Officials Are Forbidden To Attend Inquiry Into Fires

Cork, Dec. 17.—The corporation has refused the request of the military authorities to permit the city engineer and other officials to attend the inquiry into Saturday's fires. It has renewed its offer to permit testimony to be given before "an impartial tribunal."

There was a sympathetic manifestation today at the funeral of Canon Magner, who was shot by an auxiliary cadet on Wednesday. The requiem mass was conducted by the Bishop of Cork, and 140 priests participated. Many clergymen of other denominations attended.

A military inquiry, instead of an inquest, was held after the funeral, but the finding has not yet been announced.

their attitude became so menacing that the police used their rifles to disperse

CAUGHT BY CONSTABLE

Good work on the part of P.C. McCurdy (487), of Pape avenue police station, resulted last night at 11.30 o'clock in the arrest of two youths and nues on a charge of stealing an auto, the owner of which is not known. The names of the two youths are Eddy Burrell, 760 Palmerston avenue, and Walter Taft, 16 North Markham street.

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McCurdy was off duty and was proceeding home when he made the arrest.

He saw the three young fellows around the auto, and going over to them, commenced to question them. He claims that the young men admitted the theft of the car earlier in the evening from North Markham street. The owner has not yet reported his car stolen to the police.

BISHOP FALLON SCORES LONDON SCHOOL SYSTEM

London, Ont., Dec. 17.—Speaking tnight at St. Peter's Parish Hall, Bishop Fallon declared against the present system here of the appointment by the separate school board of orsepower.

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The separate school board of two representatives on the collegiate institute board, and demanded that a system of elective trustees be adopted. In view of the present agi'tation for a new collegiate system, his lordship held. Tatenties held to be adopted.

AN AURORAL CLOUD RARE SIGHT IN SKY

Hamilton, Dec. 17.—Considerable interest was taken tonight in what is known as an auroral cloud, which resembled mist across the sky or the reflection of a strong searchlight. The cloud was visible at six o'clook and moved quickly away. It completely circled the heavens.

William Bruce, a local astronome.

ALBANIA ELECTED MEMBER OF LEAGUE

anadian Delegation Support ing Her Finds Support From British.

Geneva, Dec. 17.-The 48th member of the League of Nations, Albania, was elected today with surprising unanimity, and no one was more surprised than Albania herself to find das section. The president with other officials went to the scene of activity that she would be represented on the floor of the assembly at the closing session tomorrow. The committee on the admission of new states had reported unfavorably and all hope of Albania's election had been abandoned.

Lord Robert Could proposed to the scene of activity this afternoon, and spent several hours inspecting the work. The wells have gone as far as 200 feet, but it will be necessary to sink them about 2400 feet farther before any sign of oil appears. From early indications Lord Robert Cecil, representing South Africa, and Hon. N. W. Rowell, of Canada, led in the final effort for the admission of Albania this morning on the loor of the assembly. To the surprise of all, the French and British delegations abandoned their opposition and Albania was elected

unanimously.

Immediately after the opening of today's session, Lord Robert Cecil, altho appointed to make a report on the admission of Albania to the league, took the floor and declared he disagreed with the report of the committee on admission of new states, which was adverse to according Albania membership. He asked the asbania membership. He asked the as-sembly to elect Albania a member.

Rowell Took the Floor.

Mr. Rowell then took the floor and Mr. Rowell then took the floor and appealed to the assembly on Albania's behalf, supporting Lord Cecil's viewpoint. After Mr. Rowell had conclued, H. A. L. Fisher, of Great Britain, told the assembly that altho the British delegation had voted against Albania in the committee it had since carefuly studied the question and had decided to vote for her admission. Delegate Inman, of India, dwelt upon the excellent impression the admission of Albania would make upon Memmedans thruout the world. Rene V.viani, of France, and Signor Schantzer, of Italy, rallied to the sup-Schantzer, of Italy, rallied to the sup-port of the Cecil proposition. These factors broke down all opposition, ant Albania was elected unani-Armenia Again.

The perpetual question of Armenia came up again this afternoon in the form of a proposition by the Rumanian gove nment to participate in international military intervent on. Take Jon scu, head of the Rumanian delegation, said he had authority from his government to propose that a force government to propose that a force of from 40,000 to 80,000 men be or-

moved quickly away. It completely circled the heavens.

William Bruce, a local astronomer, said such sights were very rare. They were caused by the northern lights, he said.

Outside of the cost of living, the the "C" mandate as presented by the powers of the league council. This removes one of the obstacles to complet on of the report of the commit-

MATCH CAUSES FIRE.

Hamilton, Dec. 17.—A match dropped into waste paper caused a fire tonight in the cellar of the home of M. Martin, 51 Oxford street. There mandates were left over until to more

EXPECT TO STRIKE OIL IN DUNDAS AREA

Present Drilling Operations Will Be Successful.

Hamilton, Dec. 17.—Favorable reports were brought back from Dundas tonight by Frank Magee, president of the company backed by local capital, which is drilling for oil in the Dundas to oil appears. From early indications, however, the drillers and investors are of the opinion that oil will be struck, when the necessary depth is reached. Should their predictions come true many local men will join the John D class, and Dundas will be put on the map for all time to come, to any nothing of the boost it will give this

KITCHENER REPORTS SMALL TAX ARREARS

Stated to Be Lowest in City's History—Seven Thousand Dollar Increase.

Kitchener, Ont., Dec. 17.—(Special).—It was announced today by Assussment Commissioner Huehnergard that Kitchener's tax arrears are lower than at any time in the history of the city. Out of a total levy of \$563.570.94, there is only a total of \$12,629.86 outstanding. Last year the arrears totaled \$22,000 and the year previous \$25,000. The commissioner declared that he estimates that the arrears will be less

estimates that the arrears will be less than \$7,000 by January 1.

A general increase in salaries has been voted by the Public Library Board, according to an announcement made public today by Chairman J. J. A. Weir. The librarian has been advanced \$200 a year and the staff averages a \$200 increase.

Report Fares Too High.

It was given out here today that Vice-Chairman Ingram of the railway board investigated conditions of the Waterloo-Wellington Railway and found that the company had raised its fares without consulting the board The claims of the company will be

The claims of the company will be gone into and a definite ruling handed Let Supply and Demand Settle Town-City Animosity

St. Thomas, Dec. 17.-In the rep the Elgin assizes, it was recomme ed that fees for jurors, both petit and

able to liquor. The jurors referred to a feeling of animosity between town and city as producer and consumer. They thought the remedy would be found in production to the limit, and letting the law of supply and demand settle the

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