

# Last Toll Gate in Ontario to Disappear as Bay Bridge Here is Bought

## BAY BRIDGE PURCHASE PASSED IN COMMITTEE; FINANCING IS ARRANGED

### Private Bills Committee of Legislature OK's Bill Respecting Belleville—Permission Given to Issue Debentures for \$30,000 to Pay City's Share.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—The Private Bills Committee of the Legislature this morning passed a bill respecting the City of Belleville.

This measure authorizes the issue of debentures to the amount of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the corporation's share of the "Bay Bridge" at Belleville and Prince Edward which crosses the Bay of Quinte, connecting Belleville to the Township of Ameliasburg.

#### LAST TOLL GATE GOES

- ♦♦♦♦♦ FROM THE MAYOR ♦♦♦♦♦
- ♦ The Ontario received the following from Mayor Hanna this afternoon:
- ♦ Toronto, Ont., Feb. 15.
- ♦ Ontario Publishing Co., Belleville, Ont.
- ♦ Bay Bridge Bill passed
- ♦ private bills committee this morning without opposition.
- ♦ Chas. Hanna.
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When the bill, which was today before the Private Bills Committee of the Legislature, to authorize the purchase of the Belleville-Prince Edward bay bridge became law, the last toll house in Ontario will have vanished. Summer tourists will likely have the benefit of the freedom of the bridge from tolls as it is anticipated that the bill will have the effect of law by the last of spring or early summer.

The bridge under the terms of the private bill becomes the property of the Ontario Government. The purchase price of \$45,000 was decided on at Picton on Oct. 5th. Prince Edward County pays \$20,000, Belleville \$30,000 and the Ontario Government \$35,000. The city and county councils shortly afterwards passed the required departure bylaws.

Once the Highways Department secures control of the bridge, as will be the result of the bill, the road from Belleville to Picton will be designated a full provincial highway.

Mayor Hanna, Finance Chairman A. G. F. Ostrom, City Solicitor S. Masson and Industrial Commissioner J. O. Herby represented the city at the hearing before the committee on Private bills today.

## Pope Is Generous To Stricken Flume

Trieste, Feb. 15.—Pope Benedict has given fifty thousand lire for the relief of the poor families in Flume, and has placed the administration of funds in the hands of the Apostolic Delegate and the Mayor of the city.

## Marmor's School Is Badly Scorched

Marmor, Feb. 15.—Marmor's new continuation school, which was opened last fall, was badly damaged by fire at noon today. Fire started in the basement. The fire was extinguished by noon. The village fire protection system has been out of commission for some time owing to a wheel breaking at the pump. Therefore, the only means of protection available today were two chemical engines and buckets. Fortunately there was a good supply of water in a cistern which was in the school and the flames were prevented from spreading to the second floor. It is estimated that about \$1,500 will cover the damage done to the building.

## ST. PATRICK'S PARADE TO BE ANTI-BRITISH

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—An announcement made to-day by Roderick J. Kennedy, chairman of the committee planning New York's celebration of St. Patrick's Day indicates that sympathizers of the Sinn Fein cause this year will endeavor to make the occasion an anti-British demonstration. The usual parade along Fifth avenue will be held.

## DE VALERA'S STORY

DUBLIN, Feb. 15.—In De Valera's story of the Irish truce parleys he declares that Dublin Castle accepted the formula, but later Mr. Lloyd George imposed impossible conditions and negotiations fell through.

## RETAILERS WANT LONG DAY

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Retail Merchants of Eastern Ontario object to the inclusion of Dublin Castle in the scope of eight hour day. It developed at their meeting here.

## BRITISH HOUSE HONORS DEAD

Members of Parliament, Who Fell in Action are Not Forgotten

### MONUMENT AS RECORDED

Twenty Peers and Nineteen M. P.'s Gave Their Lives for the Cause.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—(By Mail Canadian Associated Press).—When Parliament reassembles on February 15 to begin business of another session it is hoped that memorials to members of the two Houses who fell in the Great War will have been completed. Work on them is now in progress, and the imposing monument in stone to perpetuate the names of legislators who made the supreme sacrifice is rapidly taking shape in St. Stephen's porch. This memorial so placed that it will be seen by all who visit the Palace of Westminster, is to be supplemented, so far as members of the House of Commons are concerned by another as a unique form of commemoration in the debating chamber itself.

## HILL TRIBE BEGINS WAR

LONDON, Feb. 15.—A revolution has broken out in the Indian State of Tonk in Rajputana, says a Reuters' despatch from Allahabad.

After agreeing to the demands of the people the Mawab or Mohammedan ruler of the district arrested the leaders in the movement, whereupon rioting broke out.

State troops are actively engaged, and people are fleeing toward the British territory. The capital of district is located in the city of Tonk, 50 miles south of Jaipur.

## No Arrests and No Court Today; Magistrate Away

"The first morning with a clear sheet for a long time," said Chief Kidd today. "No arrests! No court! Magistrate Masson is out of town today. The police work has been very heavy since the first of the year, about one hundred cases having come before the Magistrate, many of these several times.

## LASTING TIES BIND THE BRITISH EMPIRE

"Far Stronger Than Her Critics Profound," Says The Wall Street Journal

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Commenting on General Smuts' recent victory in South Africa, the Wall Street Journal to-day says that the result has been an overwhelming defeat for the successionists, and points out to its readers that at a time when "for various purposes, none of them particularly creditable, Great Britain is being rabidly baited," in the United States it is important to remember that the ties that bind the British Empire are far stronger than her critics pretend. "There are good and compelling reasons why the junior partners in the world's greatest going concern do not pull out to set up in business for themselves," the newspaper adds.

## BASEBALL MEN SEEK NEW RESIDENCE RULE

At a meeting in Toronto of the Ontario Baseball Association, in which Belleville was represented by two teams last year, the U. T. R. and St. Michael's, Mr. Solomon brought up the question of the residence rule, promising that it should be set on or 15th of March instead of 1st January as at present, and the change is likely to be made at the annual meeting.

Change in travelling rates will be another question to be passed at the annual meeting on the first Saturday in April. The new rate calls for a reduction of 15 cents a mile per man to 10 cents, and in case of postponement the visitors be paid 5 cents instead of 7 1/2 cents.

## ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL ISSUES NEW SHARES

London, Feb. 15.—Issuance of new shares by the Anglo-Persian Oil Company has been decided upon by the Directors of the Corporation in which the British and French Governments are financially interested, it is announced.

## FORMER ITALIAN PREMIER LOSES WIFE; WAS WAR NURSE

Rome, Feb. 15.—Death is announced of Signora Salandra, wife of the former Italian Premier Antonio Salandra. During the war she lived in an Alpine village and acted as a nurse.

A skunk has moved into the New York subway and officials are gunning for him.

## MOTHER AND 5 CHILDREN PERISH AS HOME BURNS; FATHER HELPFUL TO AID

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 15.—Mrs. Oliver G. Steeves and five children perished this morning when their home was issued today from about three and a half miles from Moncton, was destroyed by fire.

Mr. Steeves was in the barn at the time giving his stock their early morning feed.

Returning he found the house a mass of flames. The fire was too far advanced to rescue Mrs. Steeves and the children. He rescued the young children, ranging in age from two to fourteen years.

## BRING GUNS OF ALL SORTS

Chief Kidd's Office at Times Resembles Second Hand Shop Just Now

### "HEIRLOOMS" APLENTY

People Anxious to O. K. Ownership of Rifles and Revolvers of All Ages.

Chief Kidd is having a good opportunity this week of looking over the class of firearms possessed by the populace of Belleville. He reports a good number of weapons, of all descriptions, as having been already brought to the station.

A number of these are modern weapons of death, but many of the lethal arms produced for the chief's inspection might be more likely to wreck havoc on the holder than on the target. Some are rusty pieces which were carried in the Fenian raid and are treasured as family heirlooms. One weapon was carried into the chief's office last evening which had not smelt powder for forty or fifty years.

Indications point to many a house in Belleville having one or more of these heirlooms.

High powered rifles of today and death-dealing revolvers of recent manufacture are also coming into Chief Kidd's hands for the issuing of permits.

Should the weapons be allowed to assemble at the station the chief's office might look like a second hand shop, but the permits are issued on application.

Permits are only for a year and cost nothing. The act does not authorize any fee.

## ONE WOMAN, FIVE MEN ARE SLAIN

Irish Passenger Train is Ambushed—Troops on Board Fired on

### DE VALERA TALKS

Blames All on Lloyd George—Not Sincere Says "President"

CORK, Feb. 15.—Five male passengers and one woman passenger, and two members of the Irish Republican army, were killed today when a passenger train, carrying troops, was ambushed near Kinsal, by Sinn Fein forces, armed with bombs and rifles.

Six soldiers, two railway officials, and two women passengers were seriously wounded, and several others slightly.

DeValera's Report.

Dublin, Feb. 15.—The honor history of the famous peace negotiations was disclosed by Eamon De Valera at a session of the Sinn Fein Irish Bulletin, took place recently, when "there was a full attendance of available members of the Sinn Fein, Archbishop Clune, Australia, said De Valera was commissioned by the British Premier to come to Ireland "as official intermediary to arrange a truce."

His Grace accepted, came to Ireland, had interviews with Sinn Fein leaders and reported to Lloyd George.

Nothing came of the negotiations and DeValera says.

"The British Premier was simply manoeuvring for position in an attempt to place the representatives of this nation in a false light before the peoples of the world. Even though he failed to do that, still, by occupying the press with speculations on the peace negotiations, he covered up the bloody operations of his bash-bazook, during which time they raffled 8,626 Irish homes, arrested 1,347 Irish men and women, issued and enforced 45 proclamations and suppressions, deported 105 Irish citizens, the removal of the danger of financial or economic disturbance, and that the country will herald an inflow of capital to increase industry. The best elements of the two races, hitherto sundered by apparently irreconcilable differences, have coalesced, he says, and together are venturing along the only road to security and prosperity. It is a great experiment begun with the happiest auguries.

## WAS BURNED OUT

Kingston—James Ferguson, who resides near Lanark on the farm recently purchased from John Smith, had the misfortune to lose his home by fire. The fire started on the roof and before noticed had gained a good start. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson lost almost everything. They have taken up residence in Lanark at present.

## ARRANGE WAGES

The County of Hastings purchasing committee and the committee appointed to arrange a schedule of wages for the work on the county roads are meeting today at the Shire Hall.

Many have been relieved of corns by Holloway's Corn Remover. It has a power of its own that will be found effective.

## Lloyd George is Facing Supreme Test of Career

London, Feb. 15.—New political alignments and the proposal of Legislative and Government of the People of Great Britain, were forehanded when the parliament reassembled here today after the recess of seven weeks. Opposition to Lloyd George Ministry and discontent with many of the policies it has pursued in the recent past seemed to have reached a climax and it appeared that the stability of the cabinet would be given its crucial test, before the final adjournment of the session next summer.

## DOMINION NOT TO BE USED AS PUPPETS TO FORCE HAND OF BRITISH GOVERNMENT

Wellington, N.Z., Feb. 15.—Statements to the effect that the Dominion had conferred with the United States in regard to Pacific naval policy have aroused keen interest in New Zealand. The comment of the press is that the Dominions are not to be used as puppets to force the hand of the British Government.

Though she is vitally interested in the defence of the Pacific, New Zealand's problem differs from that of America and Australia in important respects. New Zealand has no huge tracts unsuitable for white settlement. An active immigration policy will provide a white population capable of holding the islands.

Japanese are almost unknown, there being under 100 in the Dominion, compared with 3,500 Chinese and 700 Hindus. The new Immigration Restriction Law is expected to keep Asiatic immigration within bounds without causing friction.

The Dominion's main interest in Pacific problems arises from the guardianship of Samoa and Cook Islands. This involves further naval responsibility, of which the light cruiser Chatham, which recently arrived here, is the first instalment.

There is not the remotest possibility of New Zealand's consulting America, even informally, without full discussion first in the Councils of the Empire.

## Governor of N. S. W. Mobbed By Workless

Sydney, N. S. W., Feb. 15.—during a demonstration of unemployed here today, Sir W. E. Davidson, the governor, was mobbed and a detachment of police was stoned.

## OBITUARY

MRS. GEORGE GIBSON

A former well-known resident of this city died last week at Rochester, N.Y., in the person of Mrs. Geo. Gibson. Deceased, who was 78 years of age, was born in this city and was a daughter of the late Edward Britton, one of the early settlers of Belleville. She was a member of St. Michael's Church while in this city. About fifteen years ago she removed to Rochester with her family. She is survived by four sons, three daughters, two sisters, Mrs. J. Fahy, Sr., of this city and Mrs. D. Collins of Brooklyn, N.Y., and one brother, Mr. Wm. Britton, Sr., of this city. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning last at St. Mary's church, Rochester, where requiem mass was celebrated, the interment taking place in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

## ALBERT BOARD

Albert Hoard, a well known resident of Picton, passed away today in Belleville General Hospital at the age of 81 years. The remains will be taken to Hoard's station for burial.

## OFFICIALS OF ROTARY HERE FROM TORONTO.

District Governor Harry Stanton, of Toronto, paid an official visit to Belleville Rotary Club at the weekly luncheon at Hotel Quinte yesterday and addressed the Rotarians on the ethics of Rotarianism, the benefits to be derived from it and the opportunities it provided of service to mankind. He was accompanied by Rotarians Bill Carnahan and Bob Corryell. During the luncheon Rotarian-Carnahan sang and the Belleville quartette—Messrs Mouck, Lavole, Burrows and Norman performed.

The district governor met the board of directors and chairman of committees and went over the work of the year with them.

President E. Guss Porter occupied the chair. The attendance was large.

Propositions were from Lloyd George and Attorney General Haney were read in honor of the birthday of Rotarians D. C. Ramsay and J. V. Jenkins which the club celebrators.

On Sunday evening next the Rotarians will attend divine service at John Street Presbyterian church, where the Rev. D. C. Ramsay, a member of the club, will preach.

## DAYS FINES \$300

In Deseronto on Monday a man named Druce was fined \$200.00 and costs for B.O.T.A. and another named Hobbs \$100.00 and costs for a breach of the O. T. A.

## G. W. V. A. Boxers Looking for Bouts

The G.W.V.A. intend, as announced previously in The Ontario, to hold an amateur boxing tournament and smoker.

They have had a committee on the job and have lined up the following:

Walter Keller ..... 80 lbs.  
Ernie Edmunds ..... 120 lbs.  
Harry Robinson ..... 135 lbs.  
George Carson ..... 158 lbs.  
Joe Goyer ..... 175 lbs.  
Chas. Chadwick ..... 120 lbs.

The above named men are willing to meet any local men their own weight. Kindly forward names and weight to the Secretary, G.W.V.A. as early as possible. They are all boxers with the exception of Chas. Chadwick, wrestler.

## Helped All Three in the One Family

QUEBEC MAN GIVES HIGH PRAISE TO DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Absolom Duchesneau Gives Three Reasons Why He Advises Everyone to Use Dodd's Kidney Pills for Kidney Ills.

St. George, Beauce Co., Que., Feb. 14.—(Special).—Just how much good Dodd's Kidney Pills have done in one family is told by Mr. Absolom Duchesneau, a well-known and highly respected resident here.

"My health is very much better since taking Dodd's Kidney Pills," Mr. Duchesneau states. "For two years I was in pain, but since taking Dodd's Kidney Pills the pain is gone. I also induced my mother to use Dodd's Kidney Pills for sleeplessness and the results were very satisfactory. My sister, too, took Dodd's Kidney Pills for backache, and she is better."

"Do you wonder that I advise everyone to use Dodd's Kidney Pills?"

The reason Dodd's Kidney Pills have come to occupy such a prominent place in the family medicine chest is that so many of the ordinary every-day ills come from sick kidneys, Rheumatism, urinary troubles, backache, diabetes and heart disease can all be traced directly or indirectly to sick kidneys.

Ask your neighbors if Dodd's Kidney Pills are not the best remedy for sick kidneys.

BROKE ANKLE.

Lindsay—Mr. Edgar Heppner, employed by the John Carew Lumber Co., suffered a painful accident when his ankle was broken and thrown out of joint. He was taken to the hospital, where Drs. White and McAlpine attended his injury.

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The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank in Toronto, on Wednesday, the 23rd of February next, at 12 o'clock noon.

By order of the Board,  
C. H. EASSON,  
General Manager.

Toronto, December 15th, 1920.

Belleville Branch, John Elliott, Manager.

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