

ENGLAND'S NEW LABOR SCHEME

Inauguration of System of Exchanges Takes Place Today

Brings Labor and Capital Closer Together--Cabinet Changes

Burns and Churchill to be Shifted--Three Elections Yesterday

Standing of the Parties

London, Jan. 31.—The standing of the parties today is as follows:

- Unionists 271.
- Liberals 273.
- Laborites 40.
- Nationalists 78.

This completes the pollings with the exception of seven.

Three of these were polled today. Wickborough is held by the Unionists, and the other two are Nationalist seats in Cork County. These results will be announced to-morrow. The Shetland Islands will not poll until February 9. The Scottish universities elect two members. These will be Unionists. The Liberals have hopes of carrying the Wick seats.

The inauguration of the new system of National Labor Exchanges, created by the Liberal government as a preliminary step in dealing with the unemployment problem, will take place to-morrow when exchanges will be opened throughout the country without formal ceremony.

One hundred exchanges will be started in February and 150 more during the next six months. Their object is neither charity nor relief, but to serve to bring men desiring work into touch with employers wanting labor.

No Official Announcement

No official announcement of cabinet changes is expected until Premier Asquith returns from his holiday on the continent, but well-informed men on the Liberal side believe that the appointments will be distributed about as follows:

Augustine Birrell, Secretary for Ireland, to be Secretary for the Home Department in place of H. J. Gladstone, who has been appointed Governor of United South Africa; Winston Spencer Churchill, President of the Board of Trade, to be Chief Secretary for Ireland; John Burns, to be President of the Board of Trade; Herbert L. Samuel, Parliamentary Secretary of the Home Office, to be President of the Local Government Board; and Chas. Edward Hobhouse, Financial Secretary of the Treasury, to be promoted to cabinet rank.

FOURTEEN YEARS IN PRISON

William Kelley, of Richmond, N. B., who was arrested for murderous assault on a revenue collector in 1892, was sentenced on Saturday, at Portland, Me., to fourteen years in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga. In this case Kelley claimed he was arrested on New Brunswick territory and the matter is before the authorities at Washington. Mr. Frank B. Carvill, M.P., is Kelley's counsel. There is a strong feeling in Carleton county that Kelley is being badly treated.

The Chancellor's Retort

Mr. Lloyd George is famous, of course, for his brilliant repartee and biting sarcasm. "I am here," he remarked at a political meeting, but before he had time to finish the sentence a noisy interrupter had chimed in, "And so am I."

But the retort was a quick as it was overwhelming. "Yes—but you are not all there."

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OVER 100 BELIEVED TO HAVE MET DEATH IN A MINE EXPLOSION

Disaster Occurs in Pit of Colorado Fuel and Iron Company

Eight Bodies Recovered--Three Men Killed at Mouth of Slope

Miners Labor Frantically to Reach Interior Workings

Both Fans With Which Mine is Equipped Shattered by Explosion

PRIMERO, Colo., Jan. 31.—More than a hundred men are believed to have been killed by a terrific explosion in the Primero mine of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Eight bodies have been recovered and rescue parties are making desperate efforts to reach the interior workings cut off from the outside by the caving of the main shaft.

Both fans, with which the mine is equipped, were shattered and it was impossible to enter the mine until they were repaired at 7.30 tonight.

As soon as the fans were repaired, General Superintendent J. F. Thompson and a rescue party entered by the main shaft, but were unable to reach the main shaft after securing five bodies which were badly burned.

A party equipped with oxygen helmets reached through the air shaft and are now being searched for more bodies.

Miners were rushed to Primero from Trinidad, Segundo, Starkville, Sepris and Cokeville, and are laboring frantically to clear the main shaft, relieving each other every few minutes. It is impossible to determine how far the main shaft has caved, and it may be days before the shaft is cleared and the total death list known.

There is little hope that any of the men in the mine are alive. The company clerk reports that 79 safety lamps are missing, and it is sure that that number of men are entombed. Many men are missing.

Most of the victims are slaves and Hungarians. Pit Boss Wilhelm is known to be among the missing.

While every able-bodied man is taking his turn with pick and shovel to clear the shaft, the women and children, kept back by ropes, have gathered about the shaft, weeping and calling wildly for their loved ones, who have not been found.

Experts from all the coal camps of the state have gathered to assist Superintendent Thompson.

A. C. French, Superintendent of the Wooten mine, and J. E. Minley, mine inspector, will head another rescue party as soon as batteries for electric lights arrive by special train.

Members of the first rescue party say that the effect of the explosion underground is indescribable.

The bodies recovered were horribly burned and unrecognizable. One body was impaled on broken timbers.

INTERESTING BUDGET FROM THRIVING TOWN OF SUSSEX

James Howes in Possession of Many Cups and Medals—Frank Howard III in the West

SUSSEX, Jan. 31.—Mr. M. E. Howard received word last week that his son Frank is in the hospital at Hoosier, Alberta, suffering from an attack of typhoid fever. Frank's many friends in Sussex wish him a speedy recovery.

Your correspondent dropped into James Howes' shop this afternoon and found the proprietor polishing a collection of silver cups and gold and silver medals which he had won from time to time in keenly contested bicycle races. The collection consists of ten magnificent cups and nine beautiful medals and represent the championship prizes in many of the races in which Mr. Howes participated.

The funeral of the late Herbert Prosser took place this morning in the Penobscot Cemetery. Mr. Prosser was an industrious young man about 19 years old. Death was due to an attack of typhoid pneumonia. His early demise will be regretted by his many friends whose sympathy goes to his parents in their sad bereavement.

Basie Prosser, the little daughter of John Prosser, and sister of the late Herbert Prosser, is dangerously ill with pneumonia.

The St. John Tigers will play the Sussex Ramblers in the Alhambra rink to-morrow night.

A masquerade carnival will be held in the Alhambra rink, Sussex, on Thursday night, 3rd inst.

Max Spear of the I. C. R. freight office, spent the week end in Sussex with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spear.

Rev. Mr. Flemming of Peddiehall occupied the pulpit of the Main Street Methodist Church yesterday.

daughter. I love her too well to have her absent from my own bedside. Now that the courts have decreed that she shall remain with her father, I will institute a suit for divorce against my husband. I am certain I can get a decree and with it the possession of Natalie. I shall take steps to institute the divorce proceedings immediately.

Sobbing hysterically in the home of her mother, Mrs. C. F. Hall, at 623 West 12th street, Mrs. Howard Chandler Christy, wife of the artist, today made this statement in discussing the decision of a judge in Zanesville, Ohio, which gives her husband the custody of their 12 year old daughter, Natalie.

Mrs. Christy said that she had been offered \$50 a week if she would relinquish the claim, but she spurned the offer and persisted in her fight to get the child.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—"All the rest of my life will be consecrated to the task of getting possession of my little

BAD DREAMS CURED

A WINNIPEG MAN TELLS OF A SIMPLE REMEDY THAT CURED ESCAPE FROM INDIGESTION.

"Though I am an active, hard-working man, somehow I fell into a condition of poor digestion and disordered stomach," writes Mr. E. P. Whinnery, "In the morning I had a very unpleasant taste in the mouth; my tongue was whitish, and nothing tasted good. An hour or so after eating I experienced pain in my right side, gas formed in the stomach, and caused great distress. Even in warm weather my hands felt clammy, and still worse, my system was seldom regular. Brooding and despondency would now and then get hold of me and completely unman me. When unfit for work I tried Dr. Hamilton's Pills. In my case their wonderful curative power was like magic. So mildly did they work upon my system I at first thought they wouldn't benefit. But a few doses proved how much they helped the stomach, how quickly they brace up digestion. Food tasted natural, my appetite improved, my face looked clear and bright, and day by day as I gained in health so I gained in spirits. To-day I am as sound, healthy, vigorous, and well as any man could be. Dr. Hamilton's Pills did it all.

Beware of the dealer that may try to sell you an inferior pill to Dr. Hamilton's, which are sure to help and cure. Sold in yellow boxes, 25c per box. All dealers, or the Cathartone Company, Kingston, Ont.

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INTERESTING BUDGET FROM THE TOWN ACROSS THE BAY

Miss Rhoda Cummings Married Yesterday to Charles A. Vye—Town Elections Today

DIGBY, Jan. 31.—In the presence of only the immediate relatives of the bride and groom, Miss Rhoda Cummings was married at eleven o'clock this morning to Charles A. Vye. The bride is the oldest daughter of Norman A. Cummings of this town, and the groom is the only son of George A. Vye, Digby's superintendent of streets and water system. The nuptial knot was tied at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. A. J. Archibald, the ceremony being followed immediately after by a luncheon. The couple were unattended. Amid showers of rice, old shoes, and best wishes from a large gathering of their friends at the depot, the happy couple took the noon train for their future home, Sydney, C.E., where the groom conducts a variety store and is doing well. Both the bride and groom were active young members of the Digby Baptist Church, and will be much missed, socially and otherwise.

The town election to fill those vacancies at the council board for councillors take place to-morrow. While little interest is seen on the surface, it is known that a lot of secret canvassing is being done, and this will show itself in the hustling after the polls are open. There are five candidates for the three vacant seats, viz., Alfred Shortluff, grocer; J. Outram Dakin, saltmaker; Charles Carly, contractor and builder; C. Ford McBride, steamship agent, D. A. R.; and Arthur Turnbull, junior member of the grocery firm of Turnbull and Co.

ASQUITH MAY INSIST THAT RADICALS QUIT

Lloyd-George and Winston Churchill Will Likely Have to Take a Back Seat—Great Britain's First Naval Airship

LONDON, Jan. 31.—There is considerable speculation on both sides as to whether Prime Minister Asquith is willing to remain in office. One rumor definitely asserts that he will advise the King to send for Lewis Harcourt, the first commissioner of works, whose wife is an American, to organize a cabinet from the incongruous elements of Winston Churchill's elements which he believed to induce the premier to retain the leadership. Should he succeed it will be only on the distinct understanding that the radical Lloyd-George and Winston Churchill elements will subordinate themselves in the cabinet to the more moderate policy which the premier and Sir Edward Grey, the minister of foreign affairs, represent.

The Right Hon. Joseph Albert Pease, the Liberal whip, who was defeated for re-election, is about to join Mr. Asquith in southern France. He will use his strong persuasive powers, it is believed, to induce the premier to retain the leadership. Should he succeed it will be only on the distinct understanding that the radical Lloyd-George and Winston Churchill elements will subordinate themselves in the cabinet to the more moderate policy which the premier and Sir Edward Grey, the minister of foreign affairs, represent.

It is too early to forecast the probable course of parliament when it assembles on February 21. Mr. Balfour, the Unionist leader, has pledged himself not to resist the passage of the budget if the government can secure a vote with a distinct majority. But, inasmuch as there is a large Unionist plurality over the Liberals in Great Britain, and since Irish opinion is overwhelmingly on the side of protection despite the political alliance between the Redmondites and the government, it is by no means certain what attitude the Unionist leader will assume. It is not improbable that some compromise will be arranged for the financial affairs of the country any further.

It may be assumed also that the house of lords will pass whatever budget is sent up to them by the new house of commons without further question. There is no longer any doubt that the reform of the house of lords must be undertaken immediately, but there is also no hope of its accomplishment in the near future except by a compromise with the Unionists or by the upper house itself taking the initiative in this direction. It is hardly probable that the coalition government will undertake to deprive the second chamber of the veto-power by ultra constitutional means in the face of the indecisive verdict of the people of Great Britain.

The first British naval airship will be launched in a few weeks. The crew will consist of six officers and men from the warship Vernon, and they are now undergoing a course of instruction. The airship was designed by Spencer of Highgate for the purpose of patrolling the North Sea. It will be of the rigid type and will be the largest of the kind in the world except the Zeppelin machine.

A special feature is a magazine for carrying explosives. The engines will develop about 200 horse power. The machine could carry from twenty to thirty men, but the crew is limited to

HE FOUND THEM THE BEST OF ALL

What Rufus Harris Says of Dodd's Kidney Pills

AFTER TRYING FIVE DOCTORS FOR HIS KIDNEY DISEASE HE FOUND RELIEF IN THE GREAT CANADIAN KIDNEY REMEDY.

HURDVILLE, Ont., Jan. 28.—(Special)—"After trying five doctors for Kidney Trouble from which I had suffered for three years, I find that Dodd's Kidney Pills relieve me best of all. If I keep on feeling as I have since I began taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I shall be well pleased and I am hoping they will cure me.

So says Rufus Harris, well known in this village. "I had stiffness in the joints," he continues, "cramps in the muscles, backache and was heavy and sleepy after meals. I was depressed and low spirited, perspired freely, was often dizzy and always thirsty, but since taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I am feeling very good."

If you have any of the symptoms, Mr. Harris tells of, it is time for you to beware. They are the symptoms of Kidney Disease, and may be the forerunners of Rheumatism, Dropsy, Lumbago, Heart Disease, or even the dread Bright's Disease itself. Take warning and guard against suffering or even death itself by putting the Kidneys in good working order with Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Both Correct

A schoolmaster in Liverpool one day asked the dunce of the school some very simple questions in arithmetic. He was surprised to find that he got the right answers, and when he had finished he said to the boy, "Correct, sit down."

"Now," said the schoolmaster, "see if you have sense enough to ask the same questions."

The boy pondered for a moment and then said: "Please, sir, what would three yards of calico cost if cotton was tuppence a reel."

"I think you take me for a fool," said the schoolmaster.

"Correct, sir down," returned the boy—Liverpool Mercury.

PARIS FLOOD SITUATION SHOWS BIG IMPROVEMENT



HOW TROOPS ARE PROVIDING RELIEF IN FLOODED FRANCE

WINK AT WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC

Commissioner Meets With Discouragement

STARTLING FINDINGS—Treaty Worthless Because Countries Are Disposed to Let Traffic Flourish

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—The treaty ratified by the Senate March 1, 1905, providing for general action by the powers towards the repression of the "white slave" traffic, has been declared by Daniel J. Keefe, commissioner-general of immigration, to be "practically worthless."

The failure of this convention to accomplish the good expected was explained in a report by the commissioner-general which was transmitted to the Senate to-day by President Taft on the response to a senator's resolution. In summarizing an exhaustive report, Mr. Keefe says:

"Practically no co-operation at present can be expected of the signatories as regards the enforcement of our immigration laws. The procurement of innocent women and girls for purposes of debauchery has seldom, if ever, come to the attention of the bureau, and as it is the purpose of the treaty to prevent such procurement, the treaty's usefulness ends there."

Even with the passage of new legislation with a stringent provision, this bureau, which has been designated by the government in the repression of this traffic, will not be in a position to enforce properly the same without specific financial provision being made which will permit of an unremitting warfare against the evil throughout the country as a whole, and not in isolated portions alone, this warfare being restricted, of course, to aliens."

The net result of the replies to letters sent to officials in the several countries concerned, was that no co-operation could be expected for except in specific instances. The reasons for this were many, among them being the lack of legal authority. But the principal one, says Mr. Keefe, "seems to lie in the public attitude towards those women who make prostitution a business, the idea being that the government has no right to interfere with those who follow such a life from choice, otherwise than to prescribe certain sanitary provisions."

An agent of the bureau who visited England, Belgium, Austria, France, Germany, Russia, and Roumania, reached the conclusion "that there is no such thing as an international organization—that is, a close corporation—having for its object the exploitation of women in various countries by means of the practice of prostitution."

This agent reported that innocent women or girls are imported from the United States, bulk of the women coming in as the mistresses of individuals and subsequently adopting or being forced into a life of shame. Innocent victims, the report says, are selected by procurers in this country.

Discussing conditions he found in Europe, the United States agent says the large cities "were found to be so filled with women, with immoral tendencies, living in poverty and dire straits, that they were only too eager to embrace the opportunity of living comfortably in a life of shame in this country."

"The dance, concert and music halls, and the drinking places of the continental cities were found to be fertile fields for the operations of the procurers, with their numerous groups of women not so openly lewd as to be under police control, but who make it profitable to add to their incomes by proffering their bodies for sale."

AVIATORS TO MEET AMERICAN PRESIDENT

Will Urge National Action to Develop the Art of Flying

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 31.—Congress is to be asked, according to a resolution passed at a conference of aero clubs here today, to determine the value of aerial craft in warfare. A committee from the aero clubs is to call on President Taft to ask him to take steps to insure the development of aerial craft.

The conference, which was presided over by Curtiss E. Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America, represented aero clubs from thirteen cities and states. Mr. Bishop represented by proxy the Aero Clubs of New England, California and Colorado, Dayton, Ohio; Kansas City, Peoria, Ill.; Rochester, N.Y.; Indianapolis, Des Moines, Baltimore, and Washington, had representatives here.

Application for the international aviation and balloon races were announced from Kansas City, Peoria, Indianapolis, and Philadelphia. Baltimore and Washington entered a joint application for College Park, Md. Carl G. Fisher of Indianapolis was appointed chairman of a committee which will receive applications and allocate prizes for aviation and balloon flights. The application must be filed by March 1 and the dates allotted by March 15.