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DR. COOK ON HIS WAY TO DENMARK

Plymouth, England, Dec. 6. - An ofnicer of the American liner Philadelphia, from New York, Nov. 27, which arrived here Saturday, is confident that a silent passenger aboard the ship, who did not mix with any of the others, was Dr. Frederick A. Cook. Dr. Cook, it is said, is on his way

# ORCHESTRA WANT TO GO TO TORONTO

Ask the City Council to Assist in Providing Funds.

BUSY COUNCIL SESSION

Damages Claims and Other Matters Engage the Attention of the City Fathers. .

At the meeting of the council last business was done The communications were heavy, as

cil to close the stub east of Cabell of Congress. They pointed out that they owned all the property on both sides, and desired to have the use of the city street to keep in proper repair. them greatly. No. 2.

Must Take Down Poles. City Solicitor Meredith gave it as

for street lighting purposes when ordered to do so. The communication was forwarded to the utilities com-Israel Leff, through his solicitors,

Sunday cars were filed.

Claims for Damages. John Curnoe claimed damages

\$10 hall rent for the W. O. W. No. 1. Mr. Kilgour, South London, asked for President says: "Generally speaking, \$8, cost of opening up a sewer that had become clogged. No. 2. Tesident says: "Generally speaking, the country is in a high state of prosperity, and there is every recent to the country is in a high state of prosperity.

Allen Gray asked to purchase city believe that we are on the eve of a property on Grosvenor street, between Parks Commissioner.

Dr. Niven, chairman of the board of health, submitted his annual report, and it was ordered printed in the

minutes.
The C. P. R. firemen asked for the use of the city hall to hold a charity ball on Jan. 21. Granted on the usual

Hardware Convention.

The Ontario Retail Hardware Association asked for the use of the city hall areade the second week in January to hold a "Made in London" extinction Granted.

bibition Granted.

Settlement of international undertices was that which attended the smoker held in Collins' Hall last evening under the auspices of Court Excelsion, A. O. F. All smoked to their hearts' con-

of residents of Chelsea Green. No.1. Certain other questions, signed on the Engineer Sifton's report on the poles 11th day of January, 1909, and to the ists. itilities commisssion. ed for the free use of the city hall to part of Great Britain.

against the curb and gutter on Cart- jointly with commissioners on Dufferin avenues.

London Symphony Orchestra.

Maurice Poure appeared before the Brunswick. ouncil and asked for aid to send the London Symphony Orchestra to Toronto to take part in the Governor-General's competition. He pointed out hat he was giving his services free of harge and was drilling the boys and girls of the city in music, for which he received nothing. They had been accepted as comjetitors in the contest, but there was considerable expense in connection with the trip, and he asked the council to make a grant. The date of the competition had not yet been decided upon.

Mayor Stevely pointed out that the expenditure must be made in 1910, are to go into force. Unles the Presi-tered and he turned homeward to t was a matter to be attended to next year's council. Laid over.

The Pere Marquette Siding. The request of the Pere Marquette for a siding on Bathurst street, be-tween Maitland and William streets, was sent to the city solicitor to discover what was the city's legal status in the matter. Mr. Pyeatt, the super-intendent, in his communication stated that the company would indemnify the

ity against all damages. Mr. J. Winnett opposed the request, stating that it would practically ruin

Ald. Garratt moved that the city order to find out the city's position. property if this siding is put in," said maximum duties might never be ap-

what we can do. Cooper and carried. The Ontario Spring and Bed Mat-

tress Company asked for exemption under them of any foreign country of from taxation and free water. No. 1. that which is unduly discriminatory. The London Teachers' Association No one is seeking a tariff war, or a asked for the grant of \$25 fixed by condition in which the spirit of retalistatute. It will be paid.

The Tancock Claim. J. A. Tancock, through his solicitors, McKillop & Murphy, notified the council that he would settle his claim for damaged furnaces owing to a defective sewer, for \$75, but if it was not paid he would issue a writ. On the suggestion of Ald. Beattie, Mayor Stevely and Ald. Gerry will interview the city solicitor to discover the city's

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liability in the matter. Those present were Mayor Stevely, Ald. Beattie, Ferguson, Stevenson, Parsons, Garratt, Stewart, Moorhead, Fitzgerald, Rose, Cooper, Gerry and City Clerk Baker.

# TAFT NOT SEEKING WAR OVER TARIFFS

In Message to Explains That Maximum and Minumum Clause.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7. - President Taft today send his first annual message to Congress. The anti-trust evening there was oratory and to and interstate commerce laws are not spare. It was one of the longest ses- dealt with at this time, the President sions of the year, and considerable stating that he preferred to embody them in a special message, and would avail himself of the first opportunity Geo. White & Sons asked the coun- to bring these subjects to the attention

Regarding the Nicaragua situation, and the execution of two Americans, by order of President Zelaya, the A Scathing Indictment of Capt-It was their intention to erect large United States Government, at the date buildings in the spring, and the closing of the street would accommodate ceeding with deliberate circumspection to determine the exact truth in relation to these reports, and upon the course in the premises most consistent with bis opinion that the London Electric would have to remove their poles used its dignity, its duty to American interests, and its moral obligations to Central America and to civilization.' The American claim of Alsop & Co against the Government of Chile, which the Governments of the United States and Chile have agreed to sub- in Lake Huron recently. Meredith, Judd & Meredith, asked for damages to his rig through a defect touched upon, and among other subtouched upon, and among other subjects referred to by the President are: was in charge of the steamer. The In the roadway on King street, No. 2.

The communication from Sir James
Whitney and the R. E. O. A. regarding
Great Britain, Canada and the United States; the treaty concerning the Can-Frank Lawson and others petitioned adian international boundary; and for a boulevard on Cheapside street, the settlement of other international affairs between Canada and the United States; protection of seals; the tariff for act; international maritime law; Pannjuries to horse and rig owing to a American conferences; Monroe doclefective roadway on Christie street. trine; the far east; reorganization of the department of state; Government J. W. McCallum and others petition- expenditures of revenues; expedition ed against a block pavement on the Dundas street hill. No. 2. in legal procedure; injunctions without notice; ship subsidy; Alaska; conser-W. R. Colby asked for the refund of vation of national resources and the white slave trade. In conclusion the

The Fisheries Dispute.

Pursuant to the provisions of the W. W. Gammage, secretary of the lorticultural Society, recommended ed between the United States and the appointment of a parks commis- Great Britain, April 4, 1908, a special the submission of questions relating to

In accordance with the rovisions of of each government was, on Oct. 4 last, now in course of preparation.

The Boundaries.

The convention providing for the tween the two countries of certain of the Bourne asked for a refund of the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters, and the appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters are appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters are appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters are appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters are appointment of commissioners to adjust the boundary waters are appointment of commissioners. broughout the city was sent to the ratification of which the Senate gave The London Canine Association ask- 1909, has not yet been ratified on the

street, between Central and part of Canada in examining into the the wee sma' 'ours. question of obstructions in the St. John River between Maine and New

No Tariff War.

minimum' clause, it is the duty of the itate for a moment, but with one executive to consider the laws and bound was seated comfortably on the practices of other countries with re- rear of the vehicle. He had not reference to the importation into those posed many seconds, when a hole in countries of the products and mer- the road "got in the path" chandise of the United States, and if wagon wheel. A jerk and the tailpractices not to be unduly discrimin-positing the unfortunate fat man in atory against the United States, the the middle of the street in a mud puddent makes such a finding, then the change his clothes. Needless to say maximum duties provided in the bill, he went to work a trifle late. that is, an increase of 25 per cent ad valorem over the minimum duties, are P. C. FYSH WON to be in force. Fear has been expressed that this power conferred and duty imposed on the executiive s likely to lead to a tariff war. I beg to express the hope and belief that no such result need be anticipated.

The discretion granted to the ex-Ald. Garratt. "We had better find out plied in any case, but that the power to apply them would enable the Presfrindly negoiation, to secure the elimination from the laws and the practice for immoderate riding."

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# ATHABASKA'S CAPTAIN SUSPENDED 9 MONTHS

Brown Re Flower Pot Island Incident.

Montreal, Dec. 6. - Judgment was rendered today by Wreck Commissioner Demers in the case of the wreck of the C. P. R. steamer Athabasca, which stranded on Flower Pot Island The judgment was a most scathing

commissioner commented very severely on the manner in which he kept his log, and on his ignorance of the condition of the compass. His certificate was suspended for nine months.

# WEST LONDON

Ben Blackstock will again be given employment by the city. Some time ago he was laid off, and since then petitions have been sent to the council in considerable numbers asking that he be reinstated. The board of works dealt with the matter some time ago. and left it in the hands of the city engineer to settle. Last evening there was some debate on the question, and when the oratory was over Blackstock was given his old job back again.

At last glad tidings have been learned agreement was entered into between of Mrs. Bentley and children, of Mount Geo. A. Gott applied for the position the two countries on Jan. 27, 1909, for Pleasant avenue, West London, who the fisheries on the North Atlantic Corsican for England. She left this coast to a tribunal to be formed from city for the old country, and in her members of the permanent court of mind's eye she could see roast beef and plum pudding on her relatives' table the special agreement, the printed case passed and no news was heard of her at Christmas, but as day after day submitted to the other and to the ar-side of the water became anxious. The arrival, friends and relatives on this Rev. W. Lowe asked for the free use of the cast end hall for the purpose of giving a cantata Dec. 21 and 22 submitted to the other and to the ar-bitral tribunal at The Hague, and the counter case of the United States is steamer last night brightened the faces of her many friends in West London who had fears of her safety.

large and enthusiastic gathering

ratification of which the senate 8.3. About thirty of all seconds, 5.1.1 its advice and consent on March 3. honored her on Friday night by active 1909, has not yet been ratified on the cepting invitations to her home, 12 cepting invitations to her home, 12 d for the free use of the city name to great Dillam.

Old a dog show on Dec. 29. Granted.

Mrs. Macbeth and others petitioned on the part of the United States to act Games and cards were indulged in till

A rather stout gentleman had an experience this morning he will not forget for many moons to come. He appeared to be late for his work, and Two features of the new tariff act rushing into the street, espied a concall for reference. By virtue of the tractor's wagon, bound in the same clause known as the "maximum and direction as himself. He did not hesminimum duties provided in the bill dle. A few swear words were ut-

# A MARATHON RACE

Caught a Man Who Was Riding Bike

on the Walks. ecutive by the terms "unduly discrim- block Marathon that took place in South inatory" is wide. In or, der that the London a few evenings ago, and as a remaximum duty shall be charged sult Russell Howie, a South London stating that it would practically ruli against the imports from a country, it young man who scorched on the side-granted. He suggested that the land is necessary that he shall find on the walks, is \$3 poorer. P. C. Fysh was on be purchased if there was need of sid- part of that country, not only dis- duty on his wheel near Cathcart street, ng room. The cost would not be crimination in its laws or the practice when le saw Howie coming down on the under them against the trade of the sidewalk. Howie recognized Fysh, and United States, but that the discriminational thought the place was not a proper one clicitor be consulted in the matter in tions found shall be undue; that is, for himself, and started off at a great without good and fair reason. I con- rate around the block. He got a pretty "I am convinced that the city will ceive that this power was reposed in good start, but the constable is some be compelled to purchase the Wilson the Presidetn with the hope that the rider also, and at the end of six blocks great skill, and combatted with much he had his man.

"Who do you think owns the city walks?" the court asked Mr. Howie this The motion was second by Ald. ident and state department, through morning; "the taxpayers or you? I will fine you \$1 for riding the walks and \$2 Two other wheelmen who preferred the solution was well maintained by the sidewalks to the road contributed \$1 each.

Byron Epworth League.

The members of the Epworth League of Byron Methodist Church held their annual tea and entertainment at Byron Hall last evening, about three hundred being present. A musical programme, consisting of solos, duets, instrumentals and recitations, was given, among those taking part being Mr. Moyer, Mr. To make room for a new line of Reg. Hudson, Miss Johnson, the ladies' goods we have made arrangements to quartet, of Vaneck, composed of Miss sell our COMPLETE LINE OF BOOKS Charlton, Misses Telfer and Miss Robson, Mr. Hannifan, London, and Mr. Bean, Byron. Rev. Mr. Jewitt, of Richmond street, we have opened out Lambeth, occupied the chair. Rev. Mr. a branch store at 229 Dundas street, in the Bennett Theatre building. This following was the programme: sale will continue until Jan. 1, and it Part I.—Chairman's address, Mr. J. B. would be advisable to inspect our Walton; selection, Hill Street Male goods AT BARGAIN PRICES before Quartet, Messrs. Lewis, Winnett, Parker and Crossley; Marine Song, Mr. We will have an art display of A. Goss; solo, Mr. Sam Beetham; solo, HAND-PAINTED PICTURES of 300 Mr. R. Lindsay; comic sketch, Mr. pullen (comedian); club swinging, Mr. land, and will also be sold regardless Sharp Beetham; solo, Mr. A. Bowyer. of cost.

Refreshment and speeches. Part II.— The tables of Christmas Cards and Selection, Hill Street Male Quartet, Calendars make suitable presents for this season. We would invite your inspection.

Messrs. Lewis, Winnett, Parker and Crossley; solo, Mr. Ben Foulkes; stump speech, Mr. J. Stevenson; comic sketch. Mr. Pullen (comedian): solo, Watch for our Christmas bargains Mr. Middleton: solo, Mr. J. Lindsay. n our windows. Dundas street, and in Mr. J. H. C. Woodward, accompanist. steps later to carry out the aim of the daily papers.

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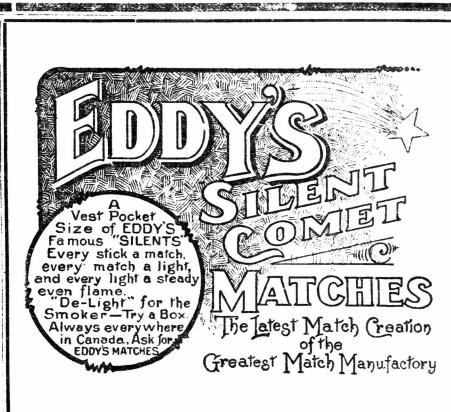
# HOUSE DEBATES **TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**

the executive finds such laws and board of the wagon came loose, de- Debate Adjourned on a Division —The Government is Sympathetic.

> Ottawa, Dec. 6.-The case for Government action in the direction of establishing a system of technical education in Canada has never been more effectively rut than it was by Mr. Hugh Guthrie, the member for South Wellington, in the House of Commons P. C. Fysh was the winner in a six- today in moving a resolution urging the appointment of a commission of inquiry. In the course of an hour's speech Mr. Guthrie dealt with the various phases of the question in a manner that showed considerable research. He traced the important results that had followed the development of industrial training in other countries, marshalled his facts with force the objections based upon the question of jurisdiction. The debate thus ably initiated was continued for five and a half hours, and the standard set by the mover of the refollowing speakers, among whom may be specially mentioned Mr. Ralph Smith, Mr. Fowke and Dr. Currie.

The Government Sympathetic. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King in an exellent maiden speech, which greatly impressed the House, while heartily in sympathy with the movement, took the view that the constitutional difficulty vadia, She has had several attacks was one requiring careful consideration, and in order that the Government might have a further opportunity to look into the question he moved the adjournment of the debate. This position was in-dorsed by Hon. Mr. Fielding, who made it plain that there was no intention on the part of the Government to sidetrack the resolution. The question was not as to whether something should be done, but as to what form their action should

Outlook Is Bright. Mr. Guthrie was prepared to agree to Mr. Guthrie was prepared to agree to the adjournment in view of the finance minister's assurance, but the Opposition pressed a division, and the adjournment was carried by 78 to 57. Messrs. Guthrie, Fowler and Verville voted against the Government. Though the Government were forced into the position of voting against the resolution, it was not improbable that if the question of jurisdiction can be adjusted with the provinces, and the desire is expressed on their part for action along the lines suggested in the resolution, the Government will take resolution, the Government



# HURRYING TO BEDSIDE OF RUSSIAN EMPRESS

a Nervous Affliction.

Rome, Dec. 6.-The Tribuna says that the Czarina is seriously ill at Lifrom which she has recovered with eral situation as it is in England today great difficulty. She is greatly degreat difficulty. She is greatly de-

pressed. Several members of the Russian im- party in England would have to creat perial family received urgent requests new peers to give them a majority from Livadia yesterday, and started at the House of Lords in order to effect once to see her majesty.

The nature of the attacks from which the Czarina is suffering is not tion of these new peers, there is specified, but it is presumed they are Mrs. Snowden, in an interview with due to neurasthenia, with which she has been troubled for a long time.

Mrs. Snowden, in an interpretation of the she has been troubled for a long time.

# STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Philadelphia-Arrived: Friesland. Glasgow—Arrived: Columbia. Fishguard—Called: Mauretania. London—Arrived: Pomeranian. Christiansand—Arrived: United States. Naples—Arrived: Perugia. Genoa-Arrived: Prinzess Irene

# MANY ENGLISH WOULD WELCOME A REPUBLIC

The Czarina Seriously Ill With So Says Mrs. Snowden, Non-Militant Leader of the Suffragists.

> Toronto, Dec. 6.-Discussing the gen suffragist, who is oposed to militar methods, said today that the winnin reformation of that house. "If the King were to resist the er

"There is a great feeling for a public in England today, and while to New York, Dec. 6.-Arrived: Bulgaria, King, they feel that the system of mole archy is an outworn-institution. No or can tell what is going to happen. the King were not as tactful as he if he attempted to defeat the will of the people, I would not give a snap of mi finger for his throne."