

Germany Asks for Exceptional Rights as a Member of the League.

Herriot Has No Fears of the Communists—Newfoundland Delegation are Guests of Federal Government—Dundee Elects a Laborite.

VIENNA'S UNEMPLOYED THREATEN TROUBLE.
VIENNA, Dec. 22.
Five thousand mounted and foot police paroled the streets to-day from early this morning until late to-night to prevent rioting by the unemployed who had passed a resolution which declared that if doles were not increased in time for them to make Christmas purchases they would spoil the fun for everyone else.

HERRIOT NOT AFRAID OF COMMUNISTS.
PARIS, Dec. 22.
Premier Herriot, who has been ill for a number of days, received the Paris representatives of the Foreign Press this morning for the purpose of discussing the recent rumors regarding Communist uprisings, and reported his statement made to the French correspondents a few days ago, that there was no menace from Communist factions. France lives in absolute calm, he said; she has not known nor shall she know any violence. The Communist forces, he said, were decreasing.

1927 PRESBYTERIAN MINISTERS TO ENTER UNION CHURCH.
TORONTO, Dec. 22.
The results of the official census of the ministry of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, on the question of a statement issued at the headquarters of the Presbyterian Church on Saturday evening, when the last returns from 77 Presbyteries were received. It was reported 1907 will enter the

United Church, this being 80.1 per cent. of the total. The number reported to have definitely decided not to enter is 197 or 12 per cent. of the total. The balance of 136 Ministers are reported to be undecided.

MOLSON'S SALE RATIFIED.
MONTREAL, Dec. 22.
A special general meeting of the shareholders of Molson's Bank at Head Office here this morning formally ratified the previously announced sale of that institution to the Bank of Montreal.

CANADA'S REPRESENTATIVE.
OTTAWA, Dec. 22.
Dr. W. A. Riddell, former Minister of Labor for Ontario, has been appointed Dominion of Canada Advisory Officer for the League of Nations purposes at Geneva.

FIREMAN KILLED WHEN TRUCKS COLLIDE.
MONTREAL, Dec. 22.
Two fire department trucks collided this morning, injuring one fireman, William J. Woodbine, so seriously that he died a few minutes later on the way to hospital.

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GUESTS OF DOMINION GOVERNMENT.
OTTAWA, Dec. 22.
The delegation from Newfoundland, headed by Prime Minister Morrice and including Hons. J. R. Bennett, Colonial Secretary, Hon. W. J. Higgins, Minister of Justice and Sir Patrick McGrath, was in the capital to-day and will be entertained by Premier

King at luncheon to-morrow and by Governor General Byng at dinner to-morrow night. The delegation was in Montreal for the Labrador Boundary discussion with Quebec officials and was invited to the capital as guests of the Government.

BEVIS APPEALS.
HALIFAX, N.S. Dec. 22.
Appeal from the death sentence imposed on Lewis Bevis for having shot police officer Charles Fulton, last July was made this morning on behalf of Bevis, by Lawyer Major Maddin, K.C., of Sydney. The appeal, which will probably be heard by Supreme Court en banc in January, is based on five points including the charge that the evidence of Mrs. Fulton was improperly admitted.

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WINDSOR, Ont., Dec. 22.
A blazing cross, the second within eight days, was extinguished by the Fire Department in Windsor City Hall Park last night. The emblem was about six feet in height and five feet, four inches across.

ASSASSIN SURRENDERS.
CAIRO Egypt, Dec. 22.
Abdel Hadjal Melligul, wanted in connection with the assassination of Sir Lee Stack, Sirdar of the Egyptian Army, surrendered last evening.

DUNDEE ELECTS LABORITE.
DUNDEE, Dec. 22.
Johnson, Laborite, was elected to Parliament over the Liberal candidate E. D. Simon, in the bye-election rendered necessary by the recent death of Edmund Dene Moral, Labor member.

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Joining the League. In the note the Berlin Government declares its view that if international conflicts arise Germany should be absolutely free under the league covenant to determine how far she should take active part in such conflicts. The text of the note which is published by the League Secretariat to-night shows that Germany desires an exceptional position as a member of the League because of her lack of armed strength. Though she denies any intention of asking for special privileges, Germany maintains that if she is obliged to participate in all the League sanctions she would be compelled to waive her right to neutrality, the last defence of a disarmed people. The reaction in league circles to the German note which the Berlin Government also transmitted to all the Governments represented in the Councils that it will be certain to necessitate lengthy negotiations with the powers and presumably delay the date when Germany will formally apply for admission to the League if she ever does. It inevitably links the League question with the general problem of inter-allied control and future investigations of German armaments which may be carried on by the League, the nature of which the Council now is endeavoring to define.

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Silver Jubilee
OF REV. FATHER ASHLEY OF TORBAY.

The Rev. Father Ashley, the beloved Parish Priest of Torbay, is now in Rome, where he celebrates the silver jubilee of his ordination to the Priesthood. To his parishioners it is, undoubtedly, a disappointment that he is not in their midst to receive their congratulations and to listen to the expression of their devotion and regard, but the golden thread of love can traverse wider distances, than that between Terra Nova and the Tiber's banks, and there is a vision in memory that absence cannot dim. The Rev. Father Ashley, who is now nearing the 49th anniversary of his birth, left St. John's on September 2d, 1890, for Mount Melleray Seminary, County Waterford, Ireland, where he spent three years under the direction of the Cistercian Order. In October 1893, he left Ireland after completing his classical studies, and proceeded to Rome where he entered the Irish College, under the direction of Archbishop Kirby and Monsignor Kelly. After spending five years in the Eternal City, the College was visited by the late Archbishop Howley, Monsignor Donnelly and the late Monsignor St. John, who were on a visit to the Holy Land. On their return to Rome, accompanied by the student ecclesiast, they were received in private audience by Pope Leo XIII. Shortly after Father Ashley was transferred to the Propaganda, where he spent two years, and was ordained by Cardinal Parocchi on December 23, 1895—by five years ago to-day—on the "Mater Omnium" Ecclesiarum—the Mother of all the Churches—St. John Lateran. His Bishop granted him leave of absence till the following May, when he arrived home and was appointed to the Parish of Portugal Cove.

During his incumbency there he began to exercise that activity as a Church and School builder which evoked frequent eulogiums from Bishop Howley. When another Parish needed a supervisor endowed with the powers of initiative and executive ability the late Archbishop manifested his desire that Father Ashley should undertake the work at Argentina. This Father Ashley volunteered to do, and his Church work there, as well as his successful efforts towards the development of the social, moral and material well being of his parishioners, are matters of honored record. Incidentally, as is well known, it was due to his persistent and untiring zeal that the Railway was extended to Argentina, and the Terminal established there.

In April, 1918, on the decease of the Rt. Rev. Monsignor St. John, Father Ashley was appointed to the important Parish of Torbay. The work there and the changed surroundings may not have involved excessive effort, because from every parishioner he received that co-operation and substantial support, which bids obstacles disappear. The results of his zeal and unremitting effort are familiar to all visitors to the flourishing eastern township, and to quote the familiar Latin words, spoken of St. Paul's and Sir Christopher Wren,—"Si monumentum requiris, circumspice"—If you seek monument, look around,—they abound on every side.

The distinguished Jubilarian, whilst before all a Priest and Pastor, has rendered invaluable aid to every movement calculated to promote the interests of his fellow countrymen. To-day, not only his parishioners in Portugal Cove and Argentina, and his fellow Churchmen and co-religionists extend congratulations; but Newfoundlanders of all classes and conditions, who have learned to appreciate his sincerity of purpose and his devotion to the welfare of Newfoundland and Newfoundlanders will rejoice to accord to him cordial and sincere welcome when, in due course, he returns to the land, the parish, and the people, whom he has so faithfully ministered to for a quarter of a century.

CANADIAN PROS. MAKING TEMPTING OFFER FOR HARRY WATSON.
TORONTO, Dec. 18.—"Give us one hockey player and we will have a squad that will be the best fighting for the honors," remarked one of the St. Patrick's owners. Later he specified that the one player must be Harry Watson. And the statement is not very far from being correct. Harry Watson on the St. Pat team would make a world of difference. It is that hole at left wing that must be plugged before anything else. St. Pats might possibly go out and get someone to fill it better than it is filled now but they believe Watson is the man and they are determined to get him if at all possible.

To-day Watson will be sought again with a tempting price but before him Harry maintains he will not join the Pros. He maintains he has nothing against pro. hockey. The money offered is sufficient and he has no personal objection to joining the St. Patrick squad, if he joins at all. It is purely a matter of business. He has built himself up a nice little establishment and he wants to maintain it. He claims his jump to the pros.—if

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